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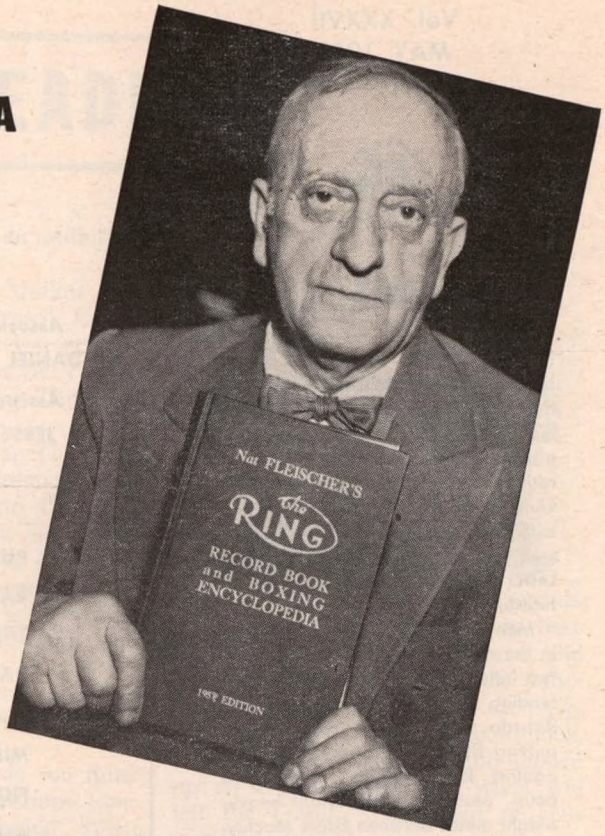

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Are Champs Jinxed as Trainers? It would appear so, for no former titleholder who has tried to develop a fighter—and there have been many—has been able to take him all the way. Now Sandy Saddler, retired undefeated featherweight king, is attempting to do just that with Rudy Sawyer, New York welterweight. He could be the first, as Lester Bromberg explains in an interesting yarn.

Many big fights are coming up in the next few weeks, among them two title bouts, Hogan Bassey defending feather laurels against Ricardo Moreno and Pascual Perez putting flyweight crown on the line against Ramon Arias. These two bouts, plus the all-important heavyweight match between Eddie Machen and Zora Folley, will be fully covered in the June issue of The Ring.

The Navy and the Marines have contributed much to boxing history and in the next issue a stirring series, Famous Navy Fighting Men, begins, written by the only man fully qualified for such a task, Col. Harvey Miller. This series, covering our fighting men from the days of the Merrimac to the present, is a must for all servicemen, fighters and fans.

Tony Anthony, elongated light heavyweight, whose blazing fists have once more put him near the top of the heap, with his convincing kayo over Yvon Durelle, is profiled in the June issue, his story of disappointments and comebacks being fully told.

Also packed into the issue are our usual interesting features, including News of The Mat World, television, latest from the service camps, photos, results and the low-down on youngsters making the grade.

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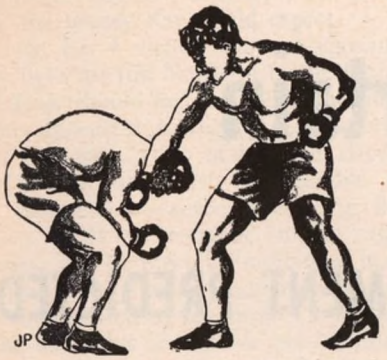


NAT'S NOT A MILLIONAIRE

Gentlemen:

I was highly interested in your two articles on Cus D'Amato and his feud with Jim Norris. Do you know why boxing is down in the mire? Because of Jim Norris and his International Boxing Club and because it is the only sport that hasn't standard rules by which boxing is carried out. It also is the only sport that hasn't a standard sized field for its contests, one that is universally accepted.

You state that the NBA has national rules, yet we find in the De Marco-Akins controversy that one of its own members refused to accept its ruling. That's what has brought boxing into a chaotic state.

Imagine a couple of baseball teams, one from the National and another from the American League getting together and putting on a championship game because they wanted it to be so!

Now you know that the IBC has been declared a monopoly. The U. S. Government has so declared and managers and boxers have said it was a monopoly. Yet you back the IBC in everything it does.

Why do boxers have to fight for Jim Norris? Why do you think they should be compelled to do so? Apparently unless they fight for the IBC they cannot obtain a TV fight nor a top booking? Isn't that so? Then why do you protect the IBC?

Could I ask you if Jim Norris owns The Ring or is that too deep a problem for you to answer?

A manager has the right to protect his interests and that of his fighter yet you seem to think that Cus D'Amato must fight for Jim Norris or else quit the game. The Ring Magazine can go on praising Norris who controls the sport in America and the fans can go on watching his television shows, but to me, boxing is now only an exhibition, as is wrestling.

Clifford D. Mullins
San Francisco, Calif.

■ **Ed. Note:**—Where did you get the idea that we are protecting Jim Norris? You haven't been reading The Ring properly.

As for Jim Norris owning The Ring, perhaps if he had an interest in it financially, as you insinuate, I'd be up in the millionaire class as he is. For your benefit, The Ring is controlled and owned by me, with my money. The only stockholders are my daughter, her husband Nat Loubet and their children and myself. Does that satisfy you and answer your query? Verify it through the U. S. Post Office official records.

As for the rules, what do you think the various boxing commissions have. What about the NBA rules? What about the World Championship Rules?

Your arguments are silly because they

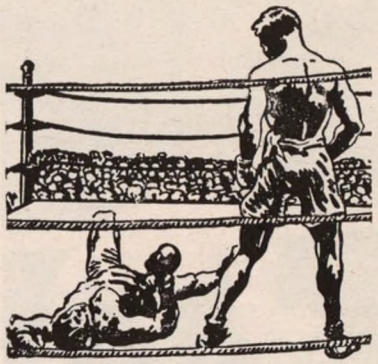
are not based on facts. As for the recent De Marco-Akins affair, you had my answer in the last issue of The Ring and again in this issue where I answer Henry Lamar, Chairman of the Massachusetts Boxing Board. Most of your statements are exactly what I have repeatedly argued. The Ring is an independent magazine. No one controls its policy other than (The Publisher and his most efficient staff.)

JIMMY GARDNER NOT FORGOTTEN

Dear Mr. Fleischer:

I possess your wonderful Record Book and Boxing Encyclopedia and get many an hour of pleasurable reading from its enjoyable contents, but an all-important feature of boxing history is missing—the ring record of one of the greatest boxers in the annals of the game—Jimmy Gardner of Lowell, Mass.

Yes, I know you have the complete record of his brother George, the old light heavyweight champ, but Jimmy was a far better boxer and hitter than George. It is difficult to imagine how you let this remarkable fighter be exempt from your latest ring records.



It is true, Mr. Fleisher, you have missed very few of the great ones, and in many cases, even some of the rather mediocre fighters have found their way into the pages of your fine record book, but I'm fraid my dear sir, you slipped up on a really great one, when you left the Lowell Wizard out of your complement.

In my book he has earned a niche along side of Joe Gans, Packy McFarland, Jem Driscoll, Benny Leonard and Young Griffo as the premier lightweights of any given era. Of course as he outgrew the lightweight ranks, he was just a good welter and few there were who wanted any part of Gardner, and even a great fighter as Gans side-stepped him.

Jimmy Gardner truly was one of the marvels of the prize ring. He had to fight most of his matches under a blanket—he was that good.

I do hope you will not be offended by my criticism, as it is not intended to be such. Your book is great.

Lew Slaw
Philadelphia, Pa.

TOWEEL DESERVES OPPORTUNITY

Dear Editor:

As an ardent supporter of boxing and a reader of your publication which I obtain here regularly, I was quite surprised upon the arrival of the February issue to see that you had rated Ewart Potgieter and Johnny Arthur in the B and C sections, respectively, though both are retired. Our champ is Gawie De Klerk, a youngster who is game.

In the welter class Benny Nieuwenhuizen hasn't fought for more than a year, yet you also have him listed.

It is our opinion in South Africa that Willie Toweel is a better fighter than your Ralph Dupas or Lane. He would be a great champion if given the opportunity he deserves.

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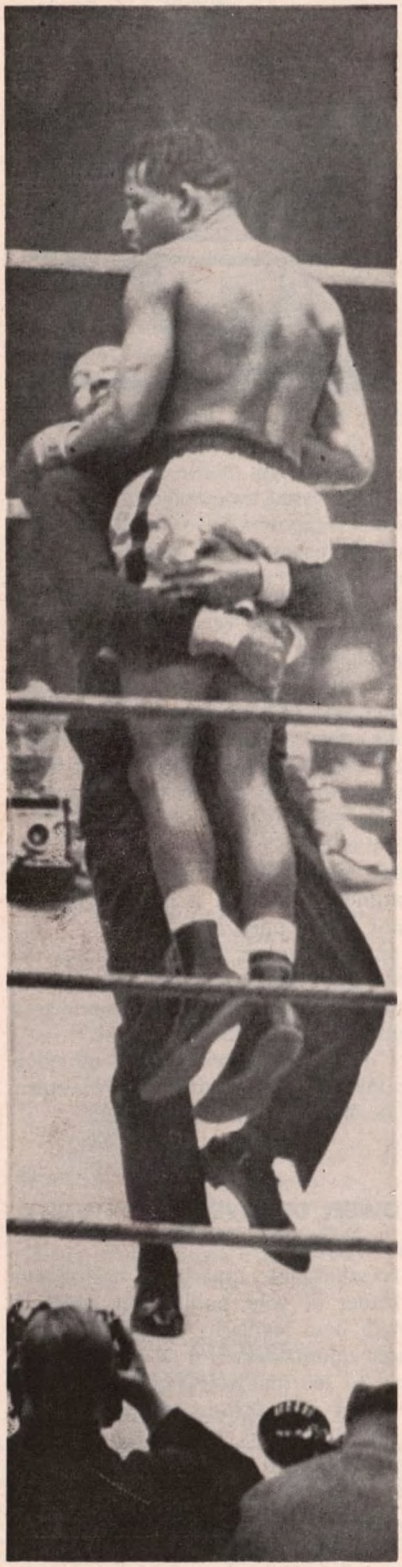
Ray's Future Uncertain

ROBINSON'S RETIREMENT PREDICTED IF CARMEN HANGS UP GLOVES

by NAT FLEISCHER



Jump For Joy. **A victorious Sugar Ray Robinson is lifted off his feet by a happy manager, Harold "Killer" Johnson, after the official decision was announced, giving Robinson the world middleweight title for an unprecedented fifth time.**

Amazing! Marvelous!

Those and similar expressions were heard following the great accomplishment of Ray Robinson in regaining the world middleweight championship from Carmen Basilio by a split decision in the Chicago Stadium. Though the contest, like their initial affair at the Yankee Stadium last year, warranted a rematch, it is doubtful if either the winner or loser will again appear in a ring contest.

Such was the deduction after Carmen, his left eye badly wounded, was examined by several doctors who predicted that for the preservation of his eyesight, it would be best for Basilio to hang up his gloves. And should this happen, it's certain that Sugar Ray, without an opponent who can draw the kind of gate he's accustomed to, will also hang up his gloves.

In a contest that didn't quite measure up to the standard set in their New York bout, but which furnished the crowded Chicago arena with plenty of excitement, Sugar Ray showed why he is called a ring marvel by succeeding in doing what never before had been accomplished—winning the middleweight title for the fifth time. His record performance is not likely to be repeated in many years.

In his seventeenth year as a professional, fighting his 150th battle, and spotting his opponent seven years in age, Sugar Ray achieved his goal amidst the wild cheers of a gathering of 17,976 persons who paid a gross of $351,955 to see the return engagement between the ring master of the century and the defending title-holder.

Fighting with one eye closed from the sixth round on, Basilio did a he-man's job in going the route under the most adverse conditions, but so badly hurt was he, I doubt he ever again will appear in a ring battle.

Subject to easy cutting, Carmen in his last stand looked so pitiful as he awaited the verdict that despite the protests of his seconds that the decision was unwarranted, it would be best for the up-state New Yorker to retire to avoid possible blindness.

REFEREE'S DECISION UNPOPULAR

Although Referee Frank Sikora scored the affair in Carmen's favor, 69 to 60 in points and nine rounds to five and one even, only one of the ringside reporters agreed with him and when the decision was rendered, the booing was not in disagreement with the verdict, but with Sikora's tally. Judge John Bray gave it to Sugar Ray, 71 to 64 in points and 11 to 4 in rounds, while Judge Frank McAdams had it for new champ, 72 to 64 with 11 rounds to three and one even. My count in points was 70 to 63 for Robbie with the rounds 10 to 4 and one even.

Sugar Ray has now staged four successful comebacks and has the unique distinction of gaining the middleweight crown five times. He came back to defeat Randy Turpin after having lost

the title to him in England; stopped Gene Fullmer after losing to him; beat Carl Bobo Olson when Ray came out of retirement, and wound up with his triumphant return to the top by his latest victory. He is eager to rest on his laurels, and will engage in another bout only if Basilio is his opponent, since that bout alone can bring in the money Ray would expect.

He has a signed contract agreeing to fight for Jim Norris in his next title defense should he continue in the ring, the agreement calling for 42½ percent of the gate, radio and closed circuit T.V. His future rests with Basilio.

Ray won by a wide margin in the eyes of almost everyone in the huge arena, but he was a far more tired man than in the Yankee Stadium bout. He was supported by his seconds as he left the arena, his face drawn and his body limp. His opponent not only showed the same signs of weariness, but with his left eye completely closed and a hemorrhage adding to his troubles, he couldn't see his way into his dressing room.

Chicago has been a lucky city for the victor. There he won the middleweight title and regained it three times there. Carmen lost his contests in the same city with Chuck Davey, Billy Graham, Johnny Saxton and now Robinson.

BASILIO WANTS ANOTHER CHANCE

With head bowed, towel with ice held against his injured eye, tears flowing down his cheeks, Basilio, visited in his dressing room by James D. Norris, requested the boss of the International Boxing Club to get him a return bout.

"He didn't hurt me at any time," said Carmen in a sobbing voice. "Were it not for this eye damage, I would have repeated. I don't think I lost but I know I beat him once and I can do it again."

Norris, sympathetically replied, "I'll see Robinson. I'll arrange a return for you."

Queried by "The Ring," Norris replied: "I'm willing but it's up to Ray. I don't know whether he'll fight again. He wants to think it over. If it's Basilio, I'm sure he'll go."

Basilio, spotting the challenger six and one-half pounds and almost five inches in height, had both working heavily against him. He found it necessary as in his first bout to crouch and leap to get at his man, while Ray almost from the start fought on his toes, a perfect stance with proper leverage to make each blow count. Sugar Ray employed more holding when hard pressed than in any bout in which I've ever seen him, and he made his weight count.

Yet, despite these advantages, he took severe body punishment from Carmen who never let up in the attack even when he couldn't see the target. Not only did he remain on his feet, but after his eye was tightly closed, he gained five rounds on the score card of the referee, two on mine and the same number on the cards of the other officials and almost every scribe at ringside.

In his seventeenth year as a pro, and at the age of 37, Robinson succeeded in doing what no boxer has ever done, again disproving the axiom that a ring champion never comes back. His is the most successful comeback ever made in the many attempts by other previous title holders.

EYE INJURY TURNING POINT

No opponent ever whipped Ray a second time. Facing a rugged, aggressive fighter who possesses remarkable recuperative powers, Ray entered the ring on the long end of the betting odds —2 to 1 at ringtime. But, undismayed by the choice of his opponent as favorite, he worked his way by degrees into the lead and held on to the end. During the first five rounds it appeared that Carmen would repeat his New York victory but the tide quickly turned.

Ray challenged a much younger opponent and ring precedent and he triumphed over each.

No other champion ever won a world crown more than three times. Basilio was favored to repeat last year's victory because of his age advantage and because he's rough and rugged, but determination, the will to reach a goal never before attained and faith in his ability, enabled Ray to turn the tables.

Ray, the Wonder of the Roped Square, came from behind after the fifth round to roll up a margin too big for Basilio to overcome. It was a lead gained after Carmen's left eye was injured. Peppering the champion round after round with straight, stinging left jabs, it didn't take long for the challenger to find himself fighting a one-eyed title-holder.

The Chicago contest saw Ray, despite his victory, absorb more punishment than in most of his top fights. In fact, interviewed at his hotel, he said that he thought Basilio gave him his toughest battle since he won the title from Jake LaMotta, the bout he calls his hardest.

Ray had planned a different type battle from his last one and he carried the plan into execution to perfection. He boxed beautifully, hooked only when he saw a good opening and rode to victory mostly on stinging jabs. Several times he traded punches in close, but his long left to the face did most of the damage.

RAY'S LEFT HOOKS DECISIVE

A left hook started the downfall of the champion. It landed on the head in the fourth round and brought a discoloration to Carmen's eye.

The defending champion rushed from his corner in the opening round and immediately began to work on Ray's body. He continued that for three rounds, all of which I thought he had won. In the third, Ray caught Carmen with a solid left hook that opened a small cut at the side of the nose.

In the fifth, Ray, during an exchange, let go a left that jarred his opponent and added damage to the left eye to the extent of puffing it. Carmen retaliated with several lefts to the body and until bell time, the spectators were treated to plenty of action.

From then on it became apparent that only fortune could keep Basilio in possession of his crown. But he never faltered. He took and handed out punishment, despite the handicap that made him miss often.

Half-blinded but strong, he kept wading in and fighting back while the crowd cheered his gameness. When he did land, Ray was badly hurt and wrestled Carmen against the ropes or in mid-ring.

Ray took some hard knocks in the tenth round, one of Carmen's best, a round in which he rocked the ring marvel several times.

Robinson came back in the eleventh, however, and took command throughout as he chased Carmen about the ring, jabbing his sore eye frequently and playing a tattoo on the other eye. He was attempting to damage that also.

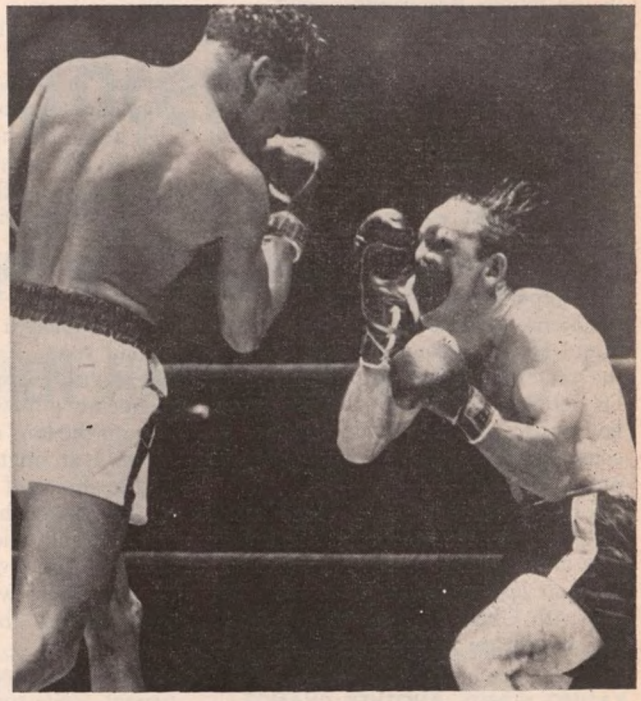
Thereafter, to the finish, it was all Ray's. Both tired after the eleventh, but Robinson possessed more than his opponent to score heavily in the closing sessions. Try as he did, however, he couldn't drop his wounded rival.

Twice in the fifteenth frame he hurt Carmen badly. After Basilio had butted him, for which he was warned by the referee and apologized, Ray cut loose with a barrage and a right to the jaw caused Carmen's body to quiver. Ray followed with a left and three jolting jabs and Basilio's knees buckled. But he kept on his feet to fight it out to the final clang of the gong.

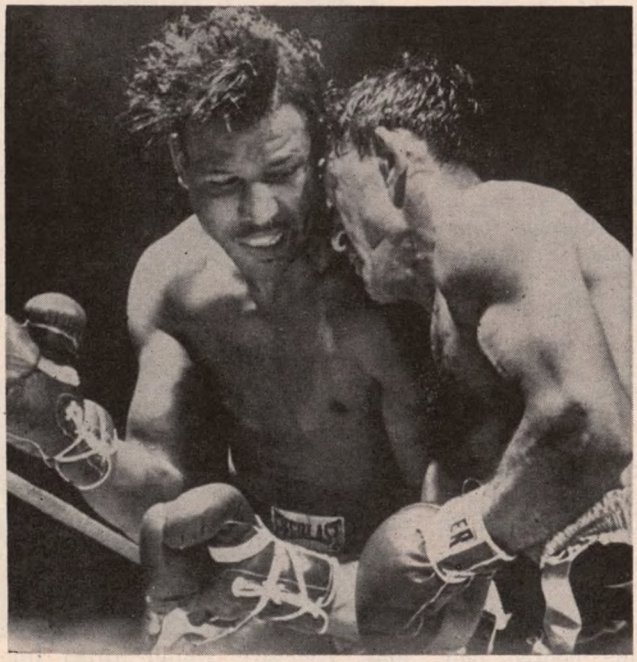
The newly crowned king, a man of extreme pride, had his craggy-faced opponent's left eye in a pitiful state at the end of the bout. The contest between the masterful boxer, one of the greatest of all time, and the plodding, aggressive, tear-in battler from Chittenango, New York, was not as spectacular an affair as their initial encounter, but will take its place in ring history with the great middleweight bouts of the past.

SUGAR RAY WINS AGAIN!

You've Got To Hand It To Him. A serious Carmen Basilio listens to manager John DeJohn while trying on gloves to be used in championship fight. Sugar Ray looks on in silence. Basilio put up a game fight though hampered by a closed left eye.



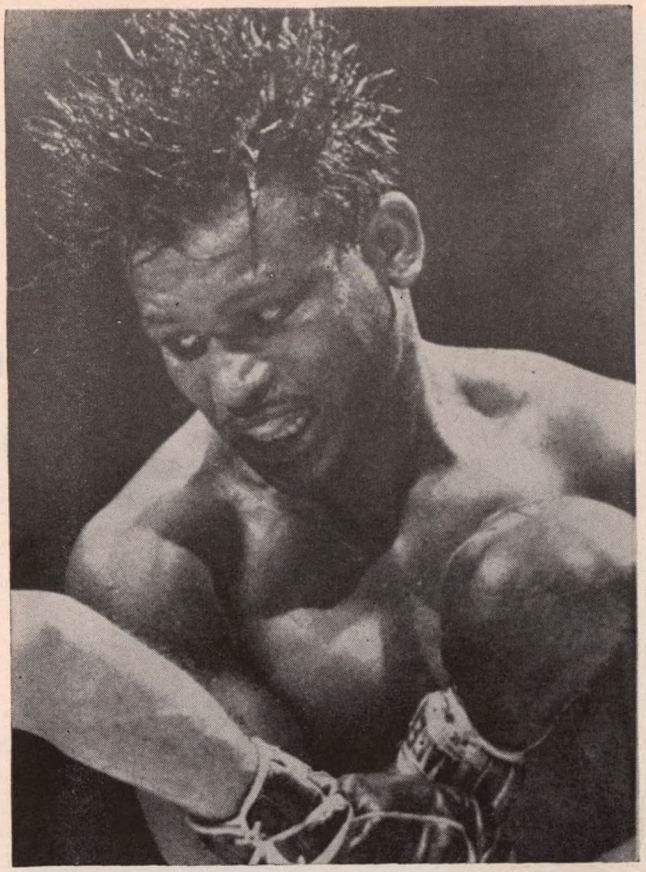
A stunning right hand thrown by Robinson in the eighth round all but dropped Basilio as his legs buckled and he tried to cover up. The wily and dangerous Sugar Ray Robinson fought a smart fight, looking for his spots, turning on the steam when necessary.



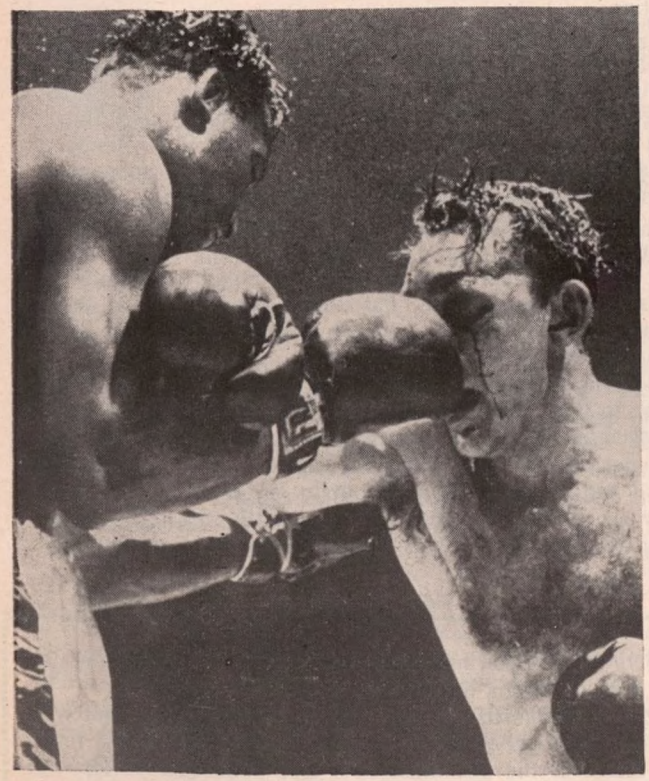
Early in the fight held at Chicago Stadium and seen by the largest closed circuit TV audience ever, Basilio tried to hammer away to the body and slow down Robinson. It worked for awhile, but at the expense of telling blows that made him a one-eyed fighter through most of the bout.

Robinson was in high gear in the later rounds and here, in the eleventh stanza, a flurry of blows by a sharp shooting Sugar Ray had Basilio in trouble. Once again his legs seemed about to give under him as Robinson pushed home the relentless attack.

The story of the fight is graphically told in this photo which shows Carmen Basilio, dethroned as world middleweight champion, with his left eye tightly closed. From the sixth round on, Basilio was at a disadvantage which probably cost him the title.



Sugar Ray Robinson, who kept a sharp eye on Basilio all evening, blocks a right and bores in to do some damage of his own. Robinson fought with the vicious tenacity that makes great champions.



His left eye bleeding and blind, Carmen Basilio was an open target for the constant bombardment that Sugar Ray Robinson unloosened through the last two thirds of the world championship bout. Only Basilio's courage made it close.

Few men in the history of the ring have had their hand raised in victory more often than Sugar Ray Robinson, and none has accomplished the feat of winning the same title five times, which Robinson did in return bout with Basilio.

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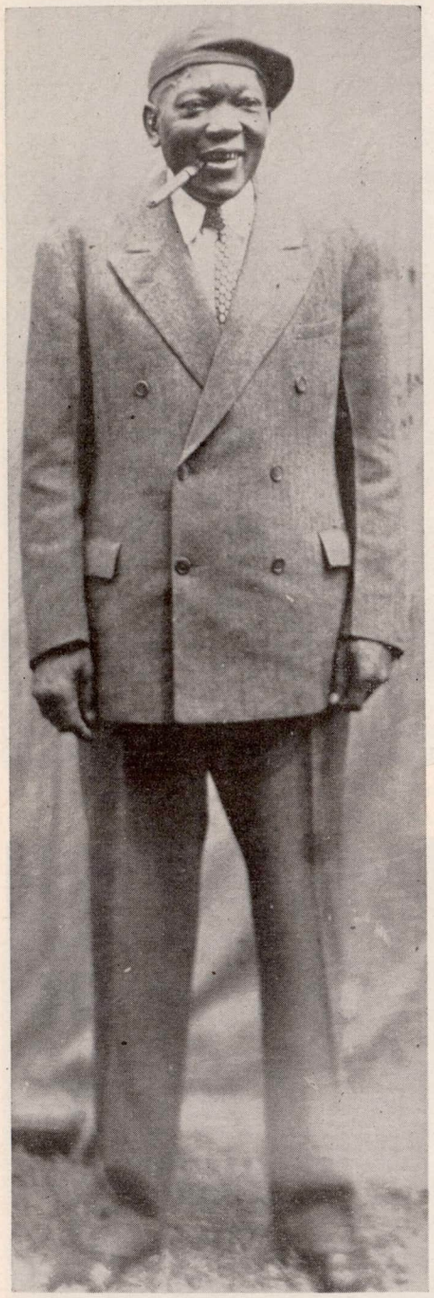


Smiling Jack Johnson, "The Galveston Giant," as he appeared in Paris at the time of the Moran battle.

Amazing Story of How Frank Moran Was Duped In Bout With Jack Johnson; Told By Man Who Helped Arrange The Paris Fight.

By LEON SEE

IN the December issue of "The Ring," I read an interesting article by Lester Bromberg on "Confidence" in which he quotes Charley Rose, on the Paris fight between Jack Johnson and Frank Moran. Since I was Johnson's manager at the time, the article brought back memories of a battle in which Moran failed to receive his purse and about which conflicting stories have appeared in print from time to time. I should know what happened because of my affiliation with the affair.

The facts, never before properly recounted, are amazing. They are probably unparalleled in ring history and I am delighted to be asked to unfold them for the first time in this international publication.

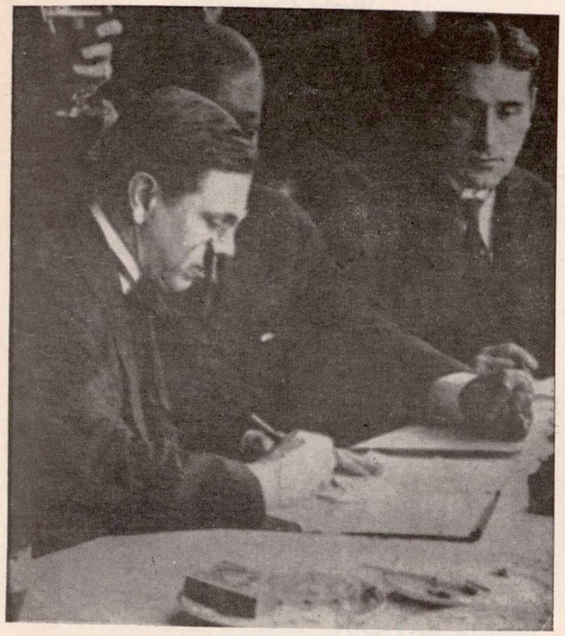
Let's hark back to the period following the downfall of Jeffries in his bout with Jack Johnson. It will be recalled that the world heavyweight champion was in trouble with the United States government. He could not remain in the United States without first serving out his sentence in a Federal penitentiary for violating the Mann Act. He decided therefore to remain in Europe where he had gone with his wife, Ruth Cameron, and his nephew, Gus, and spent most of his time in France and in Spain.

I not only was a fight manager but I promoted exhibitions of all kinds, including theatrical. Far from being broke as so often has been published, Johnson had plenty of money and spent it lavishly. He was well heeled.

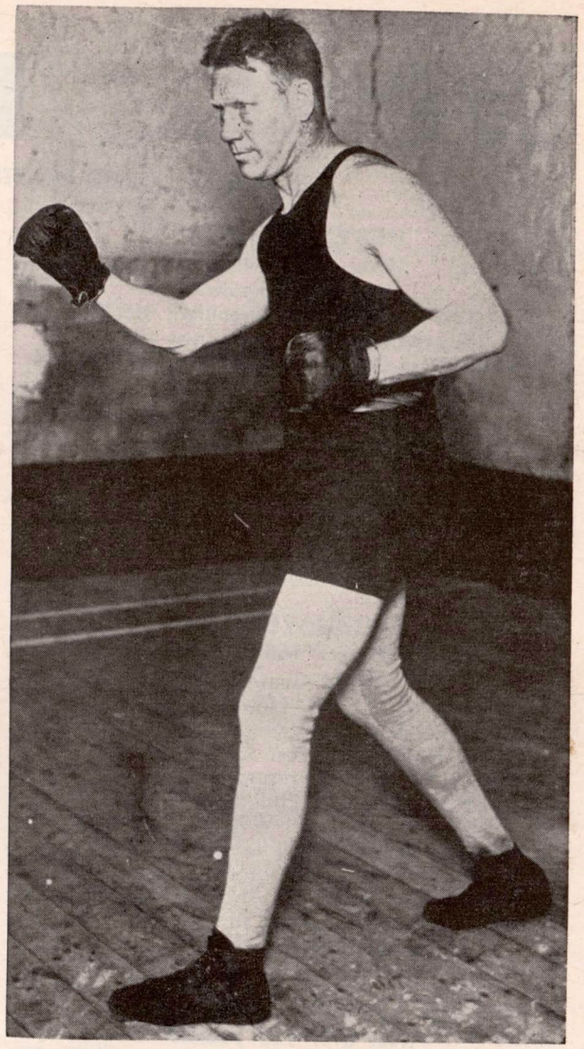
He was the dude in Paris. Nothing was too good for him. He came to Paris with three automobiles and twenty trunks.

He asked me to represent him. He wasn't eager to do any fighting but declared that he would entertain exhibitions, both theatrical and boxing, if I could obtain any for him.

We went to his hotel where he discussed his plans with me. He registered at the Grand Hotel where the management



(Above) Dan McKetrick (left), manager of Frank Moran, reading Jack Johnson's terms for bout with Moran in Paris, June 27, 1913, with promotor Vienne, looking on. Johnson is sitting between them.
(Right) Frank Moran, whose "Mary Ann" failed to win for him the world heavyweight crown.



informed him that since many Americans, including Southerners were stopping there, he could remain provided he would agree to have meals in his suite or outside the hotel. That was no problem for him since he had no intentions to eat at the hotel.

Though he remained at the Grand Hotel, he went almost nightly to Maxim's famous restaurant in Rue Royal where he had a gay time. He was an excellent conversationalist, a fun maker and when most of the American guests had left the place, he would order champagne Mumm Gordon Rouge, 1906—the finest, and no other, and until closing time he would enjoy himself to his heart's content.

I got many engagements for him. He appeared in a number of exhibitions and I even signed him for an appearance in the Follies Bergeres review in which he and his wife danced. Of course he never trained. He loved his champagne and he imbibed plentiful.

One evening I met Dan McKetrick, manager of Frank Moran and many other famous fighters, standing outside the Follies Bergeres. McKetrick, like Charley Harvey, was an international figure in boxing and due to the uncertain conditions at the time, he was having difficulty in obtaining any fights for his boys.

"I'm stranded," he told me "I must find some work for Moran. Can you help me? Will you do it?

"Johnson is well liked here," he continued, "and a Johnson-Moran fight will draw big money."

I broached the matter to Johnson who disliked McKetrick very much and he turned the proposition down. Many times Dan came to my office.

I was then the editor of La Boxe et les Boxeurs, and Dan pleaded with me to help him out of his predicament. I was friendly with Dan—in fact liked him very much—so I pressed the issue as often as I could until I succeeded in getting Johnson to agree to meet McKetrick in my headquarters to discuss the bout.

"I'll sign," said Jack when they met, "but only on two conditions—the bout should be arranged for twenty rounds, but it must not go beyond six and Frank must take the count. I'm in no condition to defend my title in a long bout," he said.

"Since I don't trust anybody but you Leon, and McKetrick might double-cross me," continued Johnson, "there will be a clause in the agreement stipulating that Moran will not get his money unless I am present to hand it to him and sign the receipt for the money when the promoter turns it over to me. Then I'll give him his guarantee," he concluded.

JACK'S DEMANDS AROUSED ONE OF HIS FRIENDS, LEON

I had never been implicated in a shady affair and facing Johnson with a look of anger, I said:

"Considering my position in sports in France, I'll have nothing to do with such an arrangement. You're in for plenty of trouble. What are you trying to do? What is in

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Leon See, author of this story, is the little Frenchman who brought Primo Carnera to America and handled his affairs. He is reputed to have started the boxing craze in France, when he introduced the sport on a large scale in 1900. At the time La Savate was the popular sport—a kicking sport—and Leon shunted that to the sidelines for bouts with gloves. For 52 straight weeks he ran a weekly boxing show in Paris, most of the fighting being done by Britishers whom Leon had imported. Later, when the American invasion began, he filled his bills with them.

He promoted steadily until World War One and with success. One of his shows had Tommy Burns and Jewey Smith as the headliners in a title bout. His travels with boxers took him to India, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Japan, and America. He was as well known by American fight enthusiasts as he is in his native country.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING MARCH 26TH

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
3—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
4—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
5—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
6—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
7—**WAYNE BETHEA,** New York, N. Y.
8—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
9—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
10—**WILLI BESMANOFF,** Germany

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordon, Utah
3—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
7—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
8—**WILLIE VAUGHN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**BOBBY BOYD,** Chicago, Ill.
10—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
5—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
6—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
7—**BABY VASQUEZ,** Mexico
8—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico
9—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
10—**MANFRED NEUKE,** Germany

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
2—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
3—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
4—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
5—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
6—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
7—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
8—**EUGENE LeCOZANNET,** France
9—**JOE BECCERA,** Mexico
10—**BILLY PEACOCK,** Los Angeles, Calif.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
6—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
7—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
8—**CLARENCE HINNANT,** Washington, D. C.
9—**UWE JANSSEN,** Germany
10—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

World Champion
TITLE VACANT

1—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
2—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
3—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
4—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
6—**GARNETT (Sugar) HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
7—**CHARLEY (Tombstone) SMITH,** Los Angeles, Calif.
8—**KID GAVILAN,** Cuba
9—**GIANCARLO GARBELLI,** Italy
10—**GEORGE BARNES,** Australia

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, O.
2—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
3—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Texas
4—**GABRIEL (Flash) ELORDE,** Philippines
5—**RICARDO MORENO,** Mexico
6—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
7—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
8—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain
9—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
10—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
3—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**ARISTIDE POZZALI,** Italy
6—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
7—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan
8—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
9—**DENNIS ADAMS,** South Africa
10—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina

SUGAR RAY ROBINSON

Fighter of the Month

RAY ROBINSON, New York middleweight, did it again. Upsetting the dopesters, he regained his middleweight crown from Carmen Basilio, making it the fifth time he has won that title.

The past few weeks have seen a rise in competition in which major boxers have participated, with the result that many changes have taken place in our international ratings.

In the heavyweight division, Pat McMurtry of Tacoma, Wash., has been removed to enable the addition of Archie Moore to the rated ten. Though Archie holds the world light heavyweight title, all of his bouts recently have been in the heavy-weight division. The only time he will make the light heavyweight limit is when he defends his crown. Archie with a number of recent victories, therefore is ranked fourth among the heavies and continues as tops in the light heavyweight class. He's the only boxer ranked in two divisions as he was most of last year.

Nino Valdes of Cuba, loser to Alex Miteff of Argentina in a bloody brawl, has been dropped to ninth post from fifth, with Miteff advancing to sixth from eighth position. Roy Harris who is in the Army dropped a peg from fourth to fifth with Wayne Bethea, dropping from sixth to seventh.

Ingemar Johansson of Sweden, who kayoed Joe Erskine, British Empire champion has returned to the rated group. He is listed eighth, Mike DeJohn of Syracuse, N. Y., has been removed and Willi Besmanoff of Germany went down from ninth to tenth.

Erich Schoppner of Germany, who halted Willi Hoepner was upped from ninth to fourth among the light heavies.

Tony Anthony who halted Yvon Durelle has advanced to second post, with Durelle falling to fifth. Mike Holt of South Africa has joined the select group in seventh following his kayo of European champion Artenio Calzavara. Calzavara has been eliminated. Willi Hoepner fell from fifth to tenth, with Uwe Jannsen upped from tenth to ninth position.

The continued victories of Charley Humez, European middleweight champion, and the unexpected unanimous victory of Holly Mims over Spider Webb of Chicago, upset the picture in that division. Humez has pulled up close to the top for a shot at the crown, while Webb, who previously had halted Rory Calhoun and gained third position in the international rankings, dropped from that post to fifth, trading places with Humez, with Mims the Washington, D. C. veteran gaining a place among the elite again. He is now ranked seventh. Willie Vaughn and Bobby Boyd each fell one notch from seventh and eighth to eighth and ninth, with Gene Armstrong listed in tenth posts. Joey Giambra of San Francisco due to idleness has temporarily been dropped to make way for Mims.

The welterweight division will soon have a world champion with the eliminations now completed and Virgil Akins of St. Louis, the winner over Isaac Logart of Cuba slated to face Vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J. for the vacant title.

Akins by virtue of his win over Logart retained his number one slot with Logart dropping to third and Vince Martinez climbed to second from third.

Former champion Tony DeMarco of Boston has announced his retirement and has been removed from the selections, giving Gil Turner and Gaspar Ortega a chance to move up to fourth and fifth spots. Kid Gavilan has dropped to eighth and Sugar Hart's victory over Charley Smith has caused Smith to drop to seventh from fourth and Hart to climb from tenth to sixth. Giancarlo Garbelli, Italy, has joined the ratings in ninth and inactive George Barnes has dropped to tenth.

In the lightweight class young Manfred Neuke of Germany, who held top rated Duilio Loi to a draw in Switzerland, has joined the select circle. He is rated tenth, replacing Johnny Busso of New York.

Davey Moore continues to be the talk of the feathers. His impressive wins enabled him to replace Cherif Hamia of France as top contender with Hamia down in second place. Ike Chestnut, loser to Harold Gomes of Providence, has dropped from fifth to sixth and Gomes, hitherto unranked, joins the select group in tenth place, due to his split decision win in a bout that was unimpressive.

Ricardo Moreno of Mexico went up from seventh to fifth position and Gracieux Lamperti of France advanced from tenth to seventh. Manolo Garcia of Spain who defeated Ricardo Gonzales of Argentina is another new member. He is eighth with Gonzalez down from sixth to ninth. Gil Cadilli of San Francisco and inactive Jean Sneyers of Belgium have been removed to make room for Gomes and Cadilli.

Manuel Armenteros, Cuban bantamweight who stopped Al Asuncion of the Philippines, advanced from seventh to fifth and Jose Lopez of Mexico moved up from fifth to fourth position. Eugene LeCozannet of France has advanced from ninth to eighth, with Asuncion dropping from fourth to seventh and Joe Beccera of Mexico down to ninth.

Among the flyweights, the defeat suffered by Dennis Adams of South Africa, cost him two places, down from seventh to ninth. Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto of Japan rated the leading challenger for the Orient title and Sadao Yaoita, the Japanese champion, each advanced one peg, to seventh and eighth respectively.

Undefeated Carlos Miranda of Argentina, a new South American sensation, has replaced Memo Diez of Mexico in last place. Diez was kayoed by bantamweight Jose Lopez.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHTS—Frank Borshein, Wheaton, Minnesota
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS—Al Sparks, Winnipeg, Canada
MIDDLEWEIGHTS—Don Fullmer, West Jordan, Utah
WELTERWEIGHTS—Joe Devlin, Boston, Mass.
LIGHTWEIGHTS—Len Matthews, Philadelphia, Pa.
FEATHERWEIGHTS—Ray Ming Chan, Singapore, Malaya
BANTAMWEIGHTS—Henry Marques, Stockton, Calif.
FLYWEIGHTS—Manuel Santamaria, Mexico City, Mexico

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Willie Pastrano outpointed Brian London, 10.

European champion Ingemar Johanssen stopped British Champion Joe Erskine, 13.

Alex Miteff outfought Nino Valdes, 10. Fighting again as a heavyweight Archie Moore stopped Bert Whitehurst, 10, and Bob Albright, 7.

Dick Richardson stopped Maurice Mols, 6. Mols also lost to Massimo Zanaboni, 8. Ernest Terrell kayoed Johnny Harper, 1. Buddy Turman stopped Dean Bogany, 3.

Johnny Summerlin outpointed Jack Jacobs, 10. Sonny Liston stopped Ben Wise, 4. Chuck Woodworth outscored Kitione Lave, 12.

Joe Bygraves polished off Joey Armstrong, 3. Mino Bozzano outfought Ossi Buttner, 6. Alonzo Johnson stopped Calvin Butler, 8.

Franco Cavicchi regained Italian title by kayoing Uber Bacilieri, 6., then whipped Emile Vidal, 10. Jose Georgetti kayoed Juan Carlos Banegas, 2. Oscar Pharo stopped Waban Thomas, 10, and drew with Tommy Thompson, 8.

Terry Lewis stopped Jerry Bailey, 3. Emil Brtko outpointed Ronnie Washensky, 8.

Johnny Mayes beat Ted Hutchinson, 6. Wayne Womochil kayoed Augie King, 3. Larry Zernitz beat Danny Rooney, 6. Solomon McTier defeated Don Jackson, 6.

John Carroll beat Richard Wilburn, 6., and kayoed Claude McClintock, 3. Harvey Burke kayoed Dave Minner, 3. Karl Heinz Wendt kayoed George Johnson, 2. Billy Lambert kayoed Roy Gardner, 4.

Joe Robinson kayoed Dave Minner, 1, but was kayoed by Hugh Williams, 2, on the same night. Bob Turner beat Dave Henderson, 6. Kid Crockett kayoed Larry Huff, 2. Johnny Heln beat Paul Barrington, 6. Frank Borsheim kayoed Charro Terribez, 1.

Wayne Womochil decisioned Oscar Pharo, 10. Ruben Vargas kayoed Johnny Mayes, 2. Don Jasper halted Willie Washington, 4. James Head stopped Billy Fields, 1.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

World champion Archie Moore stopped Bert Whitehurst, 10 (non-title) and Bob Albright, 7. (non-title).

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..ONE-TIME RING IDOL.. Says..
"IN MY DAY..WHAT WE MADE..WE COULD KEEP!"

McLARNIN—DEPRESSION TIME HERO

By TED CARROLL

OUT on the West Coast one-time ring hero Jimmy McLarnin, taking time out from the golf course long enough to comment on the state of affairs in boxing today, got off this potent observation, "In my day," quoth the well-to-do James, "you could keep what you made. Today the tax collector gets most of it."

McLarnin could have added that not only does the government gobble up its goodly share, television with its standardized payoff of four thousand dollars for each main bout contestant, puts the good "drawing card" in the same class with the run-of-mill fighter for earning capacity.

Little, of course, can be done about the tax situation, world conditions being what they are, but the television set-up is something else again and a pattern of "including the coaxial cables out" is developing where outstanding matches are on tap. Both the DeMarco-Akins Boston brawls, the last of which drew more than $80,000 were TV "blackouts", as was the Webb-Calhoun thriller in San Francisco. Local idolizers of heavyweight contenders Roy Harris and Pat McMurtry have to see them "live" or not at all, and promoter George Parnassus made certain that the upcoming featherweight title contest between champion Hogan "Kid" Bassey, and contender Ricardo Moreno would have no armchair audience endangering its prospective $300,000 "gate".

While TV has been a boon to the average performer, it penalizes the popular favorite who is a box office magnet. The current impasse between Cus D'Amato—Patterson's manager—and the IBC had its roots in the TV squabble between the adamant D'Amato and the Norris outfit, when Patterson met Hurricane Jackson for the first time in 1956. Disdaining the paltry $4,000 TV stipend, Cus wound up splitting $40,000 with opponent Jackson as Patterson's share of a revised TV agreement.

Sugar Ray Robinson is another who is determined that TV will make no inroads on his drawing powers. Somebody has to make up the difference between what Ray figures an "unteeveed" showing would bring and a magic screen performance. Whether it is the sponsor, the promoter, or "closed TV" makes little difference to the cash conscious Sugar Ray whose nickname is far from saccharine to anyone who doesn't see eye to eye with him on his box office value. Ray came out with $450,000 for the last Basilio bout, and although, as McLarnin points out, the government gets a huge chunk of it, he is looking to clear another quarter of a million for the impending setto with Basilio.

There is much to be said in British Empire champion George Barnes' favor when he balked at a mere $4,000 TV guarantee for a U. S. bout with tough Virgil Akins, even though it meant bypassing a chance at the world's welter-title for the Aussie ringman. "I can do far better than that fighting any American contender down here and so can he. Even a title chance doesn't warrant my making that kind of a sacrifice," sensibly argued the Empire titleholder.

HUNGRY HEROES DID WELL

Although wages were low, and times were hard during the Great Depression of the Twenties and Thirties, ring heroes of those hungry days did quite well, and as a consistent capacity crowd attraction, Jimmy McLarnin rated at the very top. It would have been most interesting to have seen how James and crusty old Pop Foster, who left McLarnin an estate of $200,000 when he passed on, would have dealt with the TV setup of today.

Old Pop had a slogan from which he never deviated, "James is the card," he would say, "and he's got to be paid." Promoters knew better than to contest this point, and they seldom had cause to regret it, for McLarnin's name was synonymous with a sellout in his heyday. There is no one around today in the lower divisions to compare with the Jimmy M'Larnin of twenty-five years ago as a public idol.

The fact that he was a "North of Irelander" born in Belfast, and raised in Vancouver, B.C., made little difference to Irish-Americans who worshipped the clean-cut clouter. They stormed the doors for his every appearance. McLarnin had other assets aside from his Celtic appeal. Today, at fifty-two, he retains the cherubic contour which won him the nickname of "Babyface" but there was nothing childish about his fighting style which was shrewd calculating and powered by a stunning left hook and a paralyzing right hand.

One of the most complete analyses of McLarnin's tactics was made by archrival Barney Ross, who tangled with the dynamic Irisher three times for the welterweight title. "McLarnin tried to end every fight in the very first round if he could," reveals Ross. "At the bell he'd come out winging, aiming at a quick knockout. But if he didn't connect in an early round, he'd settle back and make a boxing contest out of it, with a lot of feinting moving and countering. He'd try to make you overconfident, that maybe it wasn't so tough being in with him after all. But don't get careless, because that was what he'd be waiting for. You see, he'd always have that big punch back there, waiting to explode it at the first sign of a letdown. With him you were in danger every minute and you could never afford to relax for a second."

McLarnin's style gave his fights a suspenseful atmosphere. In the ring he fought with a kind of half smile which made him seem even more boyish, and his features were completely unmarked. Outside the ring, he was dapper, well spoken and pleasant mannered, and Old Pop saw to it that he was always in tip top shape.

NEW YORK DEBUT SENSATIONAL

Few fighters ever made a more sensational New York City debut than McLarnin, when on February 24, 1928, in the Garden, apparently bedazzled by Speedy Sid Terris, he suddenly unloosed a single right hand shot which finished the old Ghetto Ghost in the first round. After a victory McLarnin had a habit of turning a back-flip in the ring, and that was the caper which set off one of the most hysterical demonstrations ever seen in the big arena. The crowd rushed the ringside, fought to touch the new hero, and finally hoisted him upon their shoulders, and carried him about the floor and on to his dressing room in triumph.

This was the beginning of the McLarnin idolatry in New York. It was unshaken by the thorough boxing lesson Sammy Mandell handed Jimmy three months later in the old Polo Grounds for the lightweight title, and persisted until his final metropolitan showing, an impressive win over lightweight champion Lew Ambers eight years later.

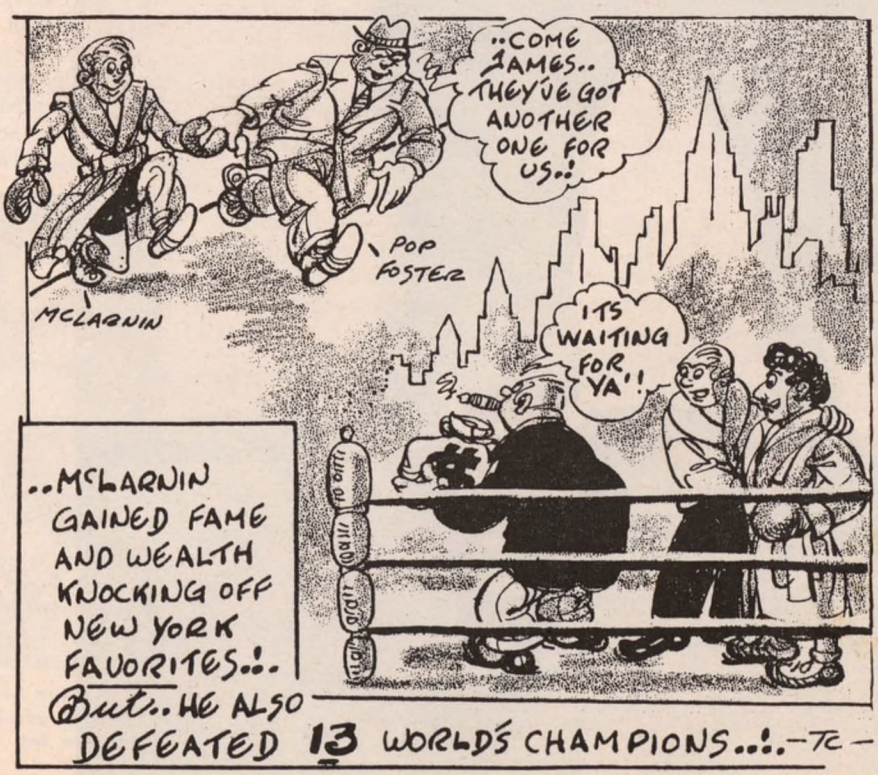
The Irish lad's premiere with Terris had attracted 18,000 customers paying $83,292. Outdoors the McLarnin-Mandell turnout on May 22, 1928 had paid $137,467 to see Jimmy's bid for the lightweight title fail. 20,404 patrons sardined their way into the Garden paying $63,574 for the first McLarnin-Joe Glick meeting on January 11, 1929 and 18,855 coughed up $71,797 to see Jimmy finish off the tough Brooklynite in two rounds two months later. A record 21,172 shoe-horned into the big arena paying a record $95,900 for McLarnin's return match with left hooking Ray Miller on March 22, 1929. McLarnin wound up a fantastic crowd pulling year of 1929 with 19,541 in attendance paying $87,760 to see him make short work of Ruby Goldstein on December 13, 1929, and this after the great Wall Street crash in October of the same year.

After each fight McLarnin made it a practice of hurrying back to Vancouver, there lying in wait for the next New York favorite to come along as box office fodder for him. By the fall of 1930 Al Singer had become lightweight champion and Jimmy moved into the Polo Grounds to score another easy kayo over the Bronx boy before a $133,724 "house". McLarnin suffered one of his rare defeats at the hands of Billy Petrolle before $47,993 worth of customers late that year, but the following Spring with the depression going full blast and breadlines everywhere, fight fans dug deep to the tune of $70,184 to see him even the score with the old Fargo Express.

Balding paunchy Benny Leonard wearily succumbed to the powerful young McLarnin before a jam-packed crowd of 21,893 die-hard followers of the old ring master who paid $65,355 to learn that Benny Leonard the night of October 7, 1932 was just a great name.

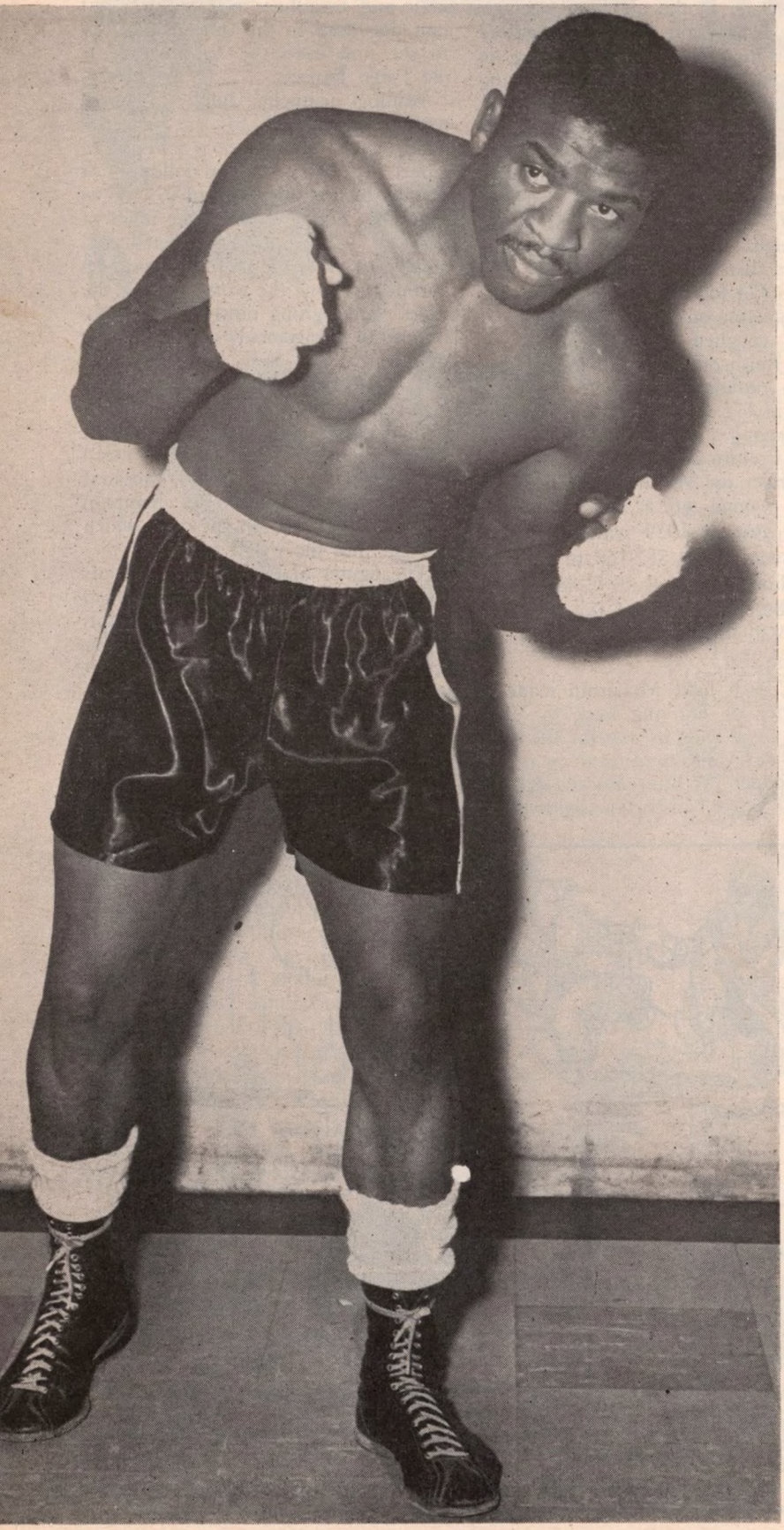
In most of his Garden bonanzas McLarnin had none the worst of it on the scales, outweighing most of his opposition, but engagements with him were so lucrative, his rivals willingly made this concession. By 1933, the supply of New Yorkers had been depleted by McLarnin to such extent that he fought but one bout that year, but that was a highly important one round knockout over capable southpaw welter champion Young Corbett III, on the coast which brought him the welter crown.

The figures of his New York bouts give an idea of the hold McLarnin had on the public and its purse strings during a time when the purchasing power of the dollar was three times what it is now, and hardship and unemployment were prevalent. Money was tight in those days, but if Jimmy McLarnin was fighting, even the necessities of life were foregone in favor of the admission fee. (*Continued on page 58*)



MIMS THE WORD

By JOHNNY SALAK



MIMS the word in the middleweight division now that Holly Mims, on the comeback trail, has looked impressive in his last two starts, both against rated men.

Earning a draw with Bobby Boyd late in January down at Miami Beach, on the strength of a new-found right hand punch that dropped his opponent in the eighth round, Holly then followed-up with a convincing win over third-ranked Spider Webb. Webb, it might be added, was also dropped.

The new found punching power of Jolly Holly has catapulted the Washington star back into the ratings and in an enviable position, with ranking men falling every which way but up. So enthused were Mims and his manager, Nick Trotta, after the Webb fight that they offered to put up a $150,000 guarantee for a title fight in Baltimore with the winner of the Basilio-Robinson championship bout.

Mims has always had a world of ability. No one has ever questioned his boxing skill and there was a time when he was considered the smoothest performer, barring Ray Robinson, in the middleweight division. Knockout power wasn't there, but Mims didn't need any such crushing convincers to prove to one and all that he rated right up there with the best. Not that this Mims man couldn't turn on the steam on occasion and come up with a big kayo. He did it on more than one important occasion.

Mims had had only about two dozen pro bouts back in 1950 when he was put in with a cool customer, none other than Johnny Bratton, who was just about ready to take the welterweight title.

So Mims proceeded to take a ten round decision from Bratton in Baltimore and then, as a convincer, repeated the victory three weeks later. That should have been the tip-off on his talent and, to a certain extent, it was.

SUGAR RAY LUMPED

Three fights later and in Sugar Ray Robinson's first bout after winning the world middleweight crown from Jake LaMotta, Mims was in with the champion in a non-title affair in Miami.

In complete disregard for Robby's vaunted punching power, Mims kept boring in throughout the fight. In the fourth, three hard lefts to the champ's head opened a gash on Sugar Ray's

lip. Robinson was credited with the only knockdown of the bout when he bulled Mims to the canvas in the second round. Mims took the required eight count on one knee. Robby grabbed the decision but the winner was sad and the loser was happy and the crowd roundly booed the referee's decision.

However, it wasn't until early in 1953 that Mims really came into his own and hit the national spotlight when he kayoed the heretofore undefeated Will Troy. He raced through a dozen fights in the next two years without a loss and rose in the middleweight rankings to the number two position. For a long while, he was either in second or third spot, with usually Joey Giardello and Rocky Castellani trading places with him.

On January 12, 1955 he fought Rocky Castellani in a twelve round bout in Cleveland, the winner ostensibly to get a crack at Bobo Olson's title. Castellani used his hit-and-hold tactics to good advantage to get the decision in what at times was a dull fight. There were, however, some rough-house sessions and in the seventh round both fell out of the ring when Rocky bulled Mims into the ropes. Both were back inside in a hurry and resumed action at once.

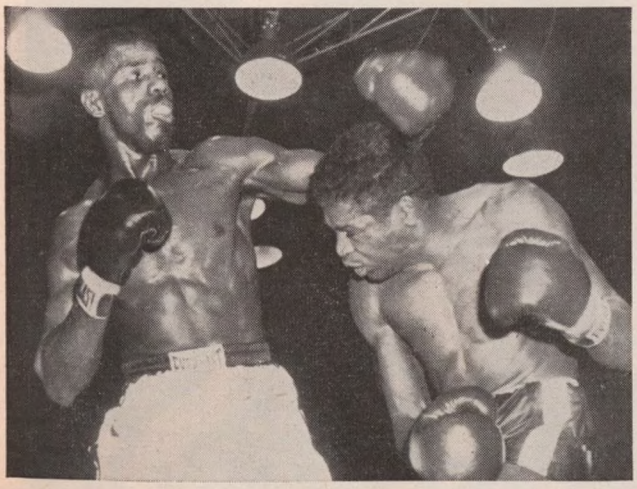
MIMS FADES QUICKLY

With the loss and the chance at the title gone, something seemed to also go out of Mims. True, he went on to defeat Milo Savage, Bobby Jones and Charley Green, three good men, but the old snap was gone.

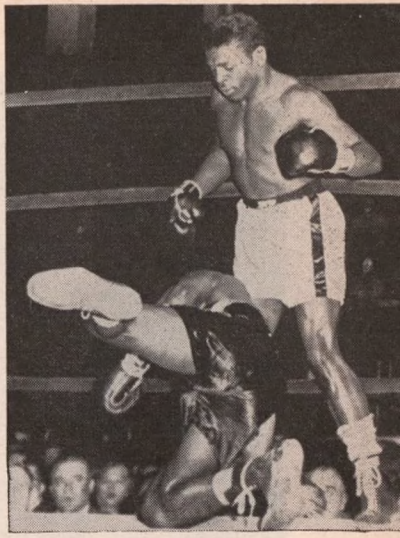
Against Savage, at Madison Square Garden, Mims, considered one of the smartest fighters in the business, was suckered into one of the oldest ring tricks. In the seventh round, Savage told Mims his shoelace was untied and Mims obligingly looked down. Milo blasted an overhand right that exploded on Holly's chin and almost sent him down, but he held on until his head cleared and then came back punching. It was a split decision that Mims eked out, with very little credit in his performance.

He next won a decision from Bobby Jones in Philadelphia, a bout which was dull and continuously hooted by the fans. After the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds the referee admonished both fighters and told them to step up the pace. It did little good. After the seventh, Alfred M. Klein, a member of the State Commission, conferred with the referee, who once again spoke to the fighters. They threw some leather in the final three sessions.

His victory over Charley Green was nothing to brag about. Dropping Green in the first round, Mims was content to ride his bicycle the rest of the way and in the ninth Charley blazed away and dropped Mims, who got to his feet at the count of nine. But Charley was too green to put him away.



Holly Draws The Boyd! Holly Mims (right) looked good in first return to the ring in nine months, drawing with Bobby Boyd after dropping him. After that, he decked Spider Webb and won upset ten round decision.



Holly Mims watches Moses Ward tumbling to canvas during their middleweight bout at Detroit several years ago. Mims, high-ranked then but on comeback trail now, won split decision.

Certainly, though he was winning, Mims seemed to be on the downgrade and all but through.

He just about let Savage take a return bout decision from him, showing little in a fight in which some rounds just couldn't be scored for anyone, not a single good blow being struck. Mims' high ranking faded with the tepid losing performance. Following a knockout victory over young Jimmy Morris, he lost to Bobby Boyd and Spider Webb and then, in an underdog role, defeated Jimmy Beecham. The fights were few and far between, the victories came less often and were harder.

Five months later he lost a return to Beecham and then dropped completely out of the picture.

HOLLY MAKES RAPID RECOVERY

Nine months elapsed until his next fight, on January 22 of this year. The bout with ranking Bobby Boyd was called a draw, but for Mims it was a big victory and a giant-step on the comeback trail. Pressing forward, in his old, relentless manner dropped Boyd with a solid right to the chin in the eighth round. Once again, everyone remembered how good a fighter Mims had been.

Two months later his impressive victory over high-ranking Spider Webb, at Fort Wayne, Ind., a bout in which he dropped the Chicago fighter with a flurry of punches in the sixth round for a nine count, was perhaps the most important one he ever scored.

In the juggling and jockeying for position in the middleweight sweepstakes, Mims must now be mentioned. And on ability alone, there are few who would rate the nod for a title shot before him.

Born in Washington, D. C., on February 10, 1929, Mims got his boxing start in the local amateur clubs of the nation's capital. His brother James helped him over the early stages and in 1948, winning eight of nine bouts, he took the Washington Golden Gloves middleweight title. He worked as a helper on a postal delivery truck in those days.

The same year he turned pro and didn't set any worlds on fire. That was to come later.

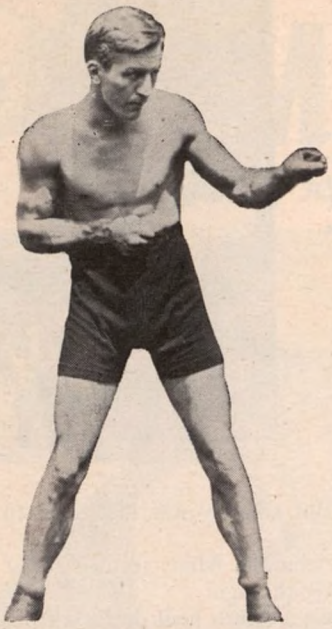
Mims is a stand-up fighter who boxes in a calm, relaxed manner, picking off punching with the nonchalance of a master. Openings are fathomed a movement or two ahead and he invariably is ready to send over a barrage of punches.

Holly is particularly dangerous when backed up against the ropes or cornered. At that point, he'll fight back with a rugged tenacity that literally overwhelms an opponent and makes him sorry he ever started the "clever" maneuver of hemming his man in.

With long arms, Mims uses his reach to good advantage. Right now he is reaching for the middleweight title. Will he make it? Mims the word!

FIGHTING FRENCH

By MURRAY ROSE



Georges Carpentier knocked out Battling Levinsky for the world light heavyweight title in American debut, then made more ring history at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Million Dollar Fight with Jack Dempsey.

ANY day now a couple of more French fighters, lightweight Lahouri Godih and welterweight Seraphin Ferrer, may arrive in the U. S. to try their luck in our rings. And if they are anything like the other Gallic gladiators who have campaigned here of late they will be more than welcome.

French fighters rarely have disappointed in the States. And fighting with their hands only, despite the doggerel that says otherwise. Win or lose, most of the transatlantic invaders from the time of Georges Carpentier and Eugene Criqui in the Golden Twenties to the formidable little Alphonse Halimi, the current world bantamweight champion, have earned the warm approval of the fistic faithful.

Probably the three more popular Frenchmen to do battle here were Carpentier, the handsome "Orchid Man," Criqui, the shrapnel-torn veteran of the First World War, and ill-fated Marcel Cerdan, the Casablanca Clouter. Halimi has the potential to make it a quartet.

Carpentier launched his invasion by knocking out Battling Levinsky in the fourth round in Jersey City, Oct. 12, 1920, for the light heavyweight championship. Then the sleek Frenchman and Jack Dempsey made ring history at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City, July 2, 1921, when they lured the first million dollar gate to usher in a great era in the sport. A crowd of 80,183 paid $1,789,238 to see the blue-jowled Manassa Mauler demolish the challenger in the fourth round.

Criqui, a popular war hero, captured the featherweight crown to the cheers of American fans when he knocked out Johnny Kilbane in New York, June 2, 1923. A month

Pierre Langlois was another rugged French middleweight who made good in America. Here he drops Joey Giardello in 1954 Madison Square Garden fight on way to winning decision. In title bid, against Bobo Olson, Langlois was stopped in eleven rounds.

A French Dish. Mrs. Charley Humez does the honors for three of France's best fighters who were in New York in March 1956, (L. to R.) Humez, long one of the top rated middleweights in the world; Cherif Hamia, who fought to the finals for the world featherweight title; and Alphonse Halimi, who went on to win the bantamweight crown.

and 24 days later, the gallant little soldier yielded the title to Johnny Dundee, another ring immortal, on a 15-round decision.

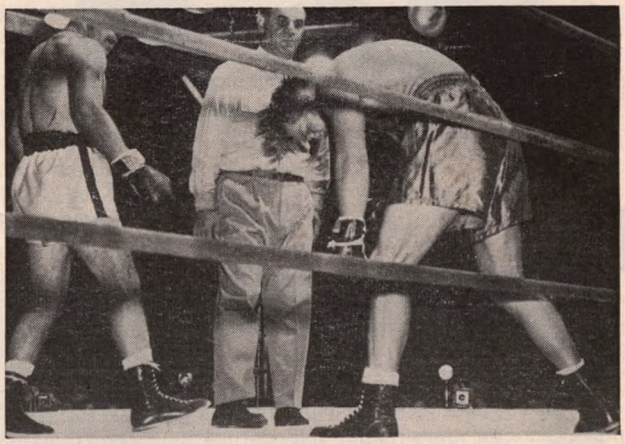
But it was Cerdan, of the twinkling eyes, curly black hair, and flashing fists, who probably is most remembered by current day fans. Marcel's triumphs touched off the mass migration of French pugilists to the U. S. A. Following on the heels of the classy Casablancan came Robert Villemain, Laurent Dauthuille, Pierre Langlois, Jacques Royer, Ray Famechon, Mickey Laurent, Hoacine Khalfi, and more recently the inseparable trio of Cherif Hamia, an Algerian Moslem, Charley Humez, a French Catholic, and Alphonse Halimi, an Algerian Jew.

Cerdan was 30 when he came to the U. S. to start his campaign for the middleweight title. War correspondents who had seen Cerdan sweep Inter-Allied boxing championships in the Mediterranean Theater said Cerdan already had passed a brilliant peak by the time he hit the States. Nevertheless the clever Frenchman had sufficient left to win the world title on Sept. 21, 1948, at the ripe age of 32.

Cerdan handed lion-hearted Tony Zale a cruel battering to win the 160-pound diadem on a 12th round knockout. Zale had fallen on his knees when the 11th ended and was unable to answer the bell for the 12th.

The following year, Lady Luck turned the other way on the personable Cerdan. Making his first championship defense against Jake LaMotta in Detroit's Briggs Stadium, June 15, 1949, Marcel injured a shoulder in the first round. A one-armed fighter the rest of the way, he absorbed a savage beating and was stopped in the tenth round.

That was Cerdan's last fight. His scheduled return with LaMotta for Sept. 28 was postponed on Sept. 24 because of a shoulder injury Jake said he suffered in training. Bitter over the delay, Cerdan returned to Casablanca. Later, en route to New York for the new date, Dec. 2, Cerdan, his manager Jo Longmann, and all 47 others aboard a plane, were killed when the aircraft struck a mountain in the Azores and crashed in flames. It was a tragic ending.



His Finest Hour. Marcel Cerdan (left) strides to his corner as Tony Zale is about to collapse to canvas as the bell sounds ending eleventh round of bout in which Cerdan won world middleweight title. Zale was unable to come out for twelfth round.

Villemain, a chunky, little middleweight with a flaming zest for combat, had more fights in the U. S. than any other Frenchman. You wouldn't have bet a franc that he would have a long stay if you had been in Madison Square Garden the night of Jan. 7, 1949. That was the evening the dark-haired Parisian made his debut against belting, balding Steve Belloise.

The fight wasn't very old when Belloise opened nasty gashes on Robert's face. Midway in the scrap, Villemain seemed to be bleeding from every pore on his torn, battered face. He shed enough gore to keep a blood bank supplied for a month. But the courageous little fellow with a heart as big as his body, refused to let the doctors or referee halt

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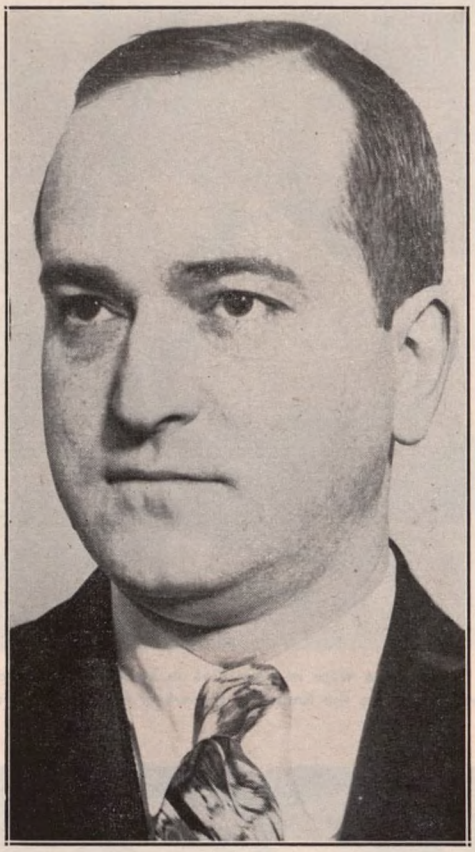
FRANCIS ALBERTANTI

Praise Agent



Francis Albertanti, noted newspaperman and sports publicist, who died recently at the age of 69.

PHYSICALLY, he was a little guy, measuring only 5 feet, 2 inches in limited altitude, but he made a bang-up success of some mighty big jobs.

A quaint character, and the most publicized sports publicist New York ever has produced, Francis Albertanti was 69 when he departed this restless world recently.

Albertanti, who liked big cigars and detested sunshine and fresh air, had been a conspicuous part of the New York sports scene for more than a half-century. Through the years he had worked for several Big Town newspapers—among them the *Telegraph*, the *Mail* and the *Telegram*—and toward the close of his ubiquitious career he put in a brief stretch with the Newark, N. J., *Star-Ledger*, but it was mainly as a press agent for outstanding sports promotions, particularly boxing, that he established an international reputation.

At various times Francis had been important cogs in the ballyhoo machines of Tex Rickard, Mike Jacobs and Jim Norris. He'd also done publicity for a couple of race tracks in California and Cuba, and once for a national bowling championship tourney staged in New York.

A born-and-bred New Yorker, Albertanti—or just plain "Francis", as he preferred to be called—was a native of the teeming Mulberry Bend section of Manhattan's Lower East Side. As a kid, just out of school, he began his newspaper career as a copy boy for the *Morning Telegraph*, and it was during his apprenticeship there that he was initiated into boxing publicity.

Prize-fighting in those days was in disfavor with the New York authorities, and bouts were staged on a hush-hush basis in old barns, on river piers and in back rooms of saloons. By slipping an occasional boxing note into the Telegraph's sports pages (when the boss wasn't looking), Francis had found favor with Florrie Barnett, an ex-fighter turned promoter. With the promise of a princely stipend of $10, Barnett hired Albertani to notify the various sports editors around town of the date and site of his next venture, a fight on an East River dock. The bout wasn't held. A disgruntled local politician, who hadn't been "taken care of" by Barnett, tipped off the police. They raided the scene and chased promoter, fighters, spectators—and Albertanti.

Francis never did get paid for his work, but he learned an invaluable lesson. From then on he always made sure of a substantial cash "advance" before he'd handle a publicity job.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Albertanti's fascination for boxing was understandable. He had grown up in a rugged neighborhood where a prize-fighter was something to be admired and respected. Francis' early idol was Jimmy Kelly who, when his ring career ended, went on to become a prominent cabaret owner, fight manager and local politician. Despite his Irish tag, Kelly was an Italian. In those days it was not unusual for an ambitious Italian youngster to adopt an Irish label. It was easier for the public to pronounce and remember.

Much as he admired Kelly, Albertanti refused to follow Jimmy's example and change his name. Proud of his Italian ancestry, Francis insisted on using his right title in full. On his first newspaper job it was suggested that he simplify it to "Frank Alberts." He wouldn't.

A stubborn, rugged individualist all his life was Albertanti. He never was one to take orders, although he could at times be influenced by "suggestions." With his explosive Latin temperament, Francis chucked many a job because he wouldn't be told what to do or how to do it.

Of the many colorful yarns spun around Albertanti probably the best known concerned the time he was sports editor of the *Evening Mail*. The coverage of athletics then was not as extensive as it has since become. Usually one page or a page and a half represented the sports section, and that space was devoted mainly to baseball, football, boxing, horse racing and track-and-field. Such things as golf and tennis were generally ignored, except for major tournaments, which weren't too frequent in that era.

One afternoon the managing editor of the *Mail* dropped into the cubbyhole that was the sports department. "Francis," he said, "most of our big advertisers play golf. I think it would be a nice gesture to them—and good business for us—if we used more golf news and gossip."

"Boss," retorted Albertanti, "if those big shots want to read about golf, you can put it on the financial page."

COVERED 1912 OLYMPICS.

It was as the *Mail*'s sports editor that Francis journeyed to Sweden to cover the 1912 Olympiad.

One of the cleverest circulation stunts Albertanti sired for the paper was to inaugurate the annual *Mail* Modified Marathon which attracted the world's outstanding distance runners. The route, starting at Broadway and 168th Street, and ending at City Hall, was exactly half the regulation 26-mile, 385-yard marathon distance. It was a tremendous event every year, although it did jam up traffic along some of the city's busiest thoroughfares.

Francis' first important publicity job was with an outdoor gymnasium. It was during the summer of 1920 and Van Kelton Stadium in Eighth Avenue, hard by Columbus Circle, was built in anticipation of the return of professional boxing to New York after an absence of three years. Quite a few big-time fighters worked out there. Albertanti was engaged as press agent and one of his first publicity stunts was to persuade Jack Dempsey to begin training there for his first start as world heavyweight champion—the match with Billy Miske in Benton Harbor, Mich.

Shortly after the Walker law became effective, Albertanti went to work for Tex Rickard in old Madison Square Garden as publicity assistant to Ike Dorgan.

Francis never was one to remain too long in one place, and a couple of years later he returned to newspaper operations as a member of Nat Fleischer's sports staff on the *Telegram*. When the *Telegram* was absorbed by the expanding Scripps-Howard chain and merged with the *World* in 1927, Albertanti went back to Rickard and Dorgan in the New Garden.

Probably the toughest assignment Albertanti ever handled was the second Gene Tunney-Jack Dempsey extravaganza which attracted 104,943 customers to spacious Soldiers' Field in Chicago and set boxing's all-time high for gate receipts, $2,658,660.

The show was a Rickard promotion. Dorgan couldn't get away to handle the publicity. He had to remain in New York for the regular weekly fights in the Garden. Francis was bundled off to Chicago to take care of the press setup.

Getting out publicity was the simplest part of the job. The match, a tremendous "natural", was an automatic success financially. But Francis, entertaining the hordes of visiting writers from all over the world, taking care of the press-box arrangements, and attending to the scores of other details involved in that gigantic promotion, put in many an 18-hour day before the fight.

A GOOD SELF-PUBLICIST.

His own quaint personality and inimitable manner of relating stories accounted for Albertanti's often getting as much publicity for himself as he received for the event he was ballyhooing.

We recall Mike Jacobs, who never did have much of a sense of humor, becoming exasperated with Albertanti when Francis was handling Max Schmeling's training camp publicity for the German's first bout with Joe Louis in 1936. The newspaper boys seemed to be devoting as much space to Albertanti and his sun-dodging shenanigans as they were to Max and his gymnasium chores.

Jacobs, indignant, called Albertanti on the 'phone. "Hey," he barked, "who's training to fight Louis—you or Schmeling?"

One yarn that Francis liked to tell concerned the afternoon he was gabbing with Mickey Walker in the latter's tavern across the street from Madison Square Garden. In walked, rather unsteadily, a gentleman who obviously had made several saloon stops before arriving at Walker's.

The stranger reeled to the bar. "Sho you're Mickey Walker?" he said, pushing his right arm across the counter. "Put 'er there. I always wanted shake handsh wit' great's middleweight of all time. Yeshir, great'sh middleweight of 'em all, an' I know what I'm talkin' about. I've sheen 'em all; you're the great'sh, Mickey Walker."

Albertanti couldn't resist the temptation to get into the act. "Did you ever see Stanley Ketchel?" he asked.

The customer turned a bleary gaze on Francis. "Shtanley Ketchel?" he boomed. "I'll shay I did. Boy, there wash a real fighter great champeen, great'sh of 'em all."

"How would Walker here have done with Ketchel?" Albertanti asked.

The visitor glared first at Francis, then at Mickey behind the bar.

"Ketchel an' Walker? Don't be shilly," he snorted. "It wouldn't be a fight. No fight at all. Ketchel wash a great champeen, great'sh in th' woild. He'd a moidered this bum!"

AWAY FOR TWO YEARS.

Getting Francis away from his beloved New York was no simple matter. He'd never been away for more than a month or so until he quit Mike Jacobs after the first Schmeling-Louis bout. A pal of his, with an old dilapidated automobile, was driving out to California. He invited Francis along. Albertanti had never been that far west, and he decided to go. It was nearly two years before he returned to New York. On the coast he grabbed himself a publicity job at one of the race tracks. When the season closed, he was offered and accepted a similar assignment in Cuba.

Albertanti arrived back in New York in time to take over the ballyhoo for the American Bowling Congress' annual championship tourney in 1939.

For the next few years Francis worked for the Newark *Star-Ledger* and handled occasional "special" publicity campaigns for fighters training for important bouts in and around New York. One of his clients was Jake LaMotta.

When the Tournament of Champions was organized in 1947, in opposition to Mike Jacobs' powerful machine, Albertanti was hired as publicity chief, and he was in charge of the press department for the Gus Lesnevich-Tami Mauriello bout in Brooklyn, the finale of the Tony Zale-Rocky Graziano series in Newark, and the Marcel Cerdan-Zale brawl in Jersey City.

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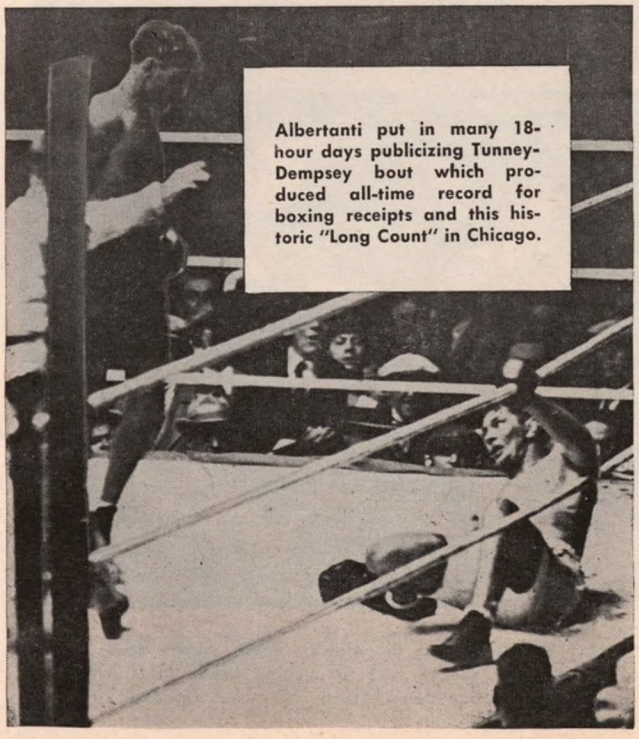
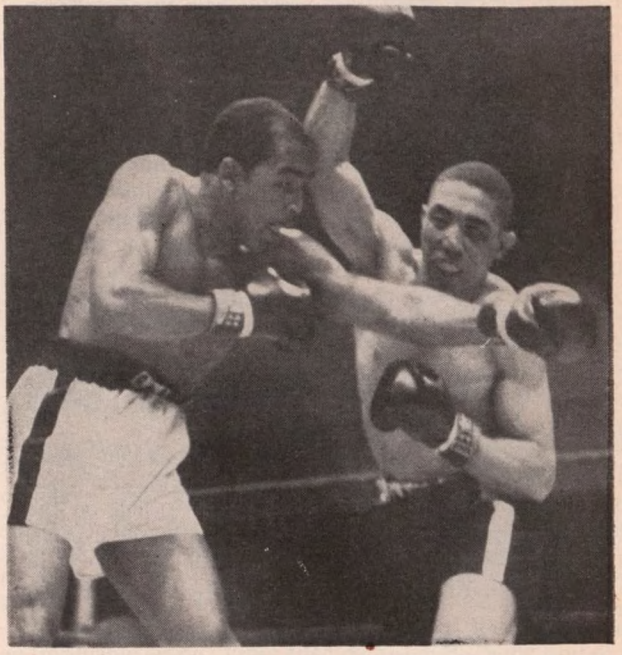


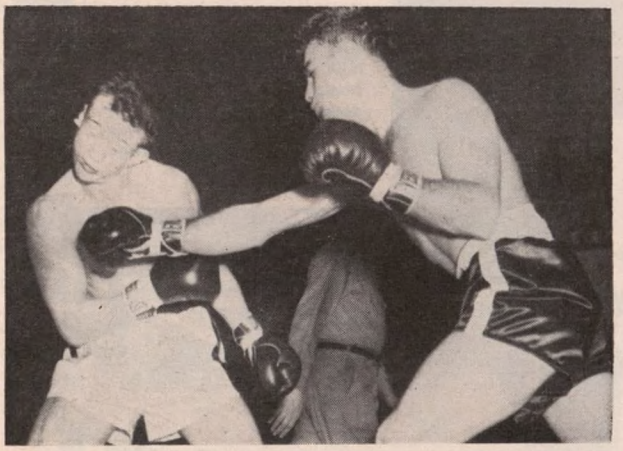
Albertanti put in many 18-hour days publicizing Tunney-Dempsey bout which produced all-time record for boxing receipts and this historic "Long Count" in Chicago.

FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

(Above) Tough Nut. Harold Gomes (right), Providence, R. I. featherweight, advanced into the ratings with a split ten round decision over Ike Chestnut at Madison Square Garden. (Right) Ace is High. Gene (Ace) Armstrong (right), Elizabeth, N. J., ran his unbeaten string to fourteen by punching out a ten round decision over Charley Joseph at St. Nicholas Arena.

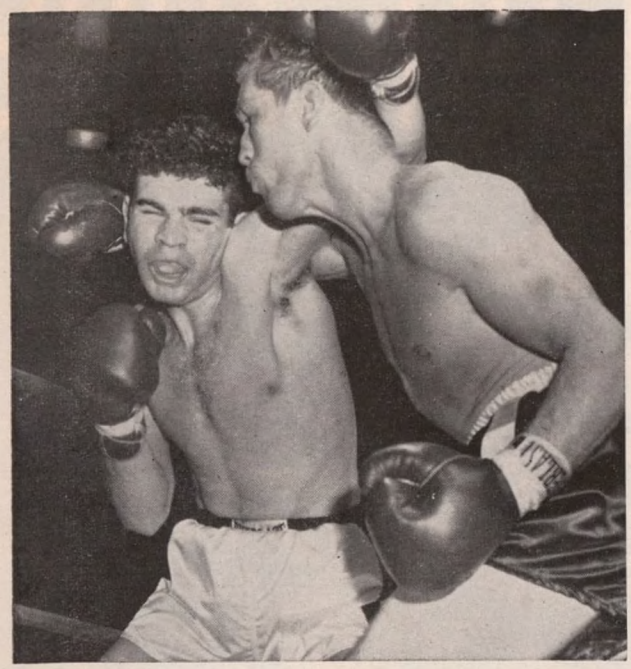


A Hart Time. Garnett (Sugar) Hart (right) had a hard time getting the duke over Duke Harris in ten round welterweight go at St. Nicholas Arena. Hart won split decision.



(Above) Schmidt Schmacked. Tony DiBiase (right) Astoria, L. I., N. Y. welterweight, jolts Peter Schmidt of Yorkville section, New York, with a solid right to head on way to winning split tenner at St. Nicks.
(Right) The Tiger and the Hawk. Ralph (Tiger) Jones (left), Yonkers, N. Y., tussled with the Cuban Hawk, Kid Gavilan, at the Carillon Hotel, Miami Beach, Fla., and squeaked through in split ten.

ARCHER HITS TARGET



Jimmy Archer (right), New York welterweight, wades into Danny Russo during ten rounder at St. Nicks. Jimmy's hard hitting opened cuts on Russo's face in sixth round and fight was halted in seventh.

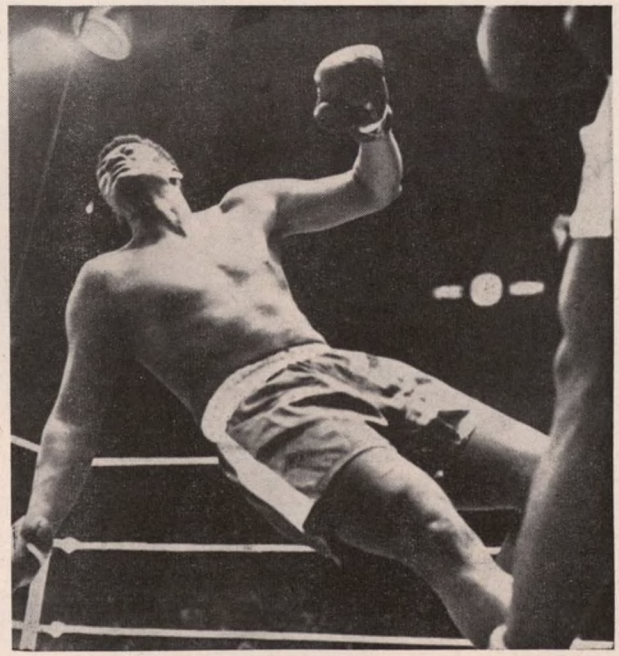
A SWEDISH MASSAGE

Ingemar Johansson (left), of Sweden, European heavyweight champion, pummels Joe Erskine, British titleholder during bout held at Gothenburg. Johansson stopped Erskine in thirteenth round.

LONDON BRIDGES DOWN

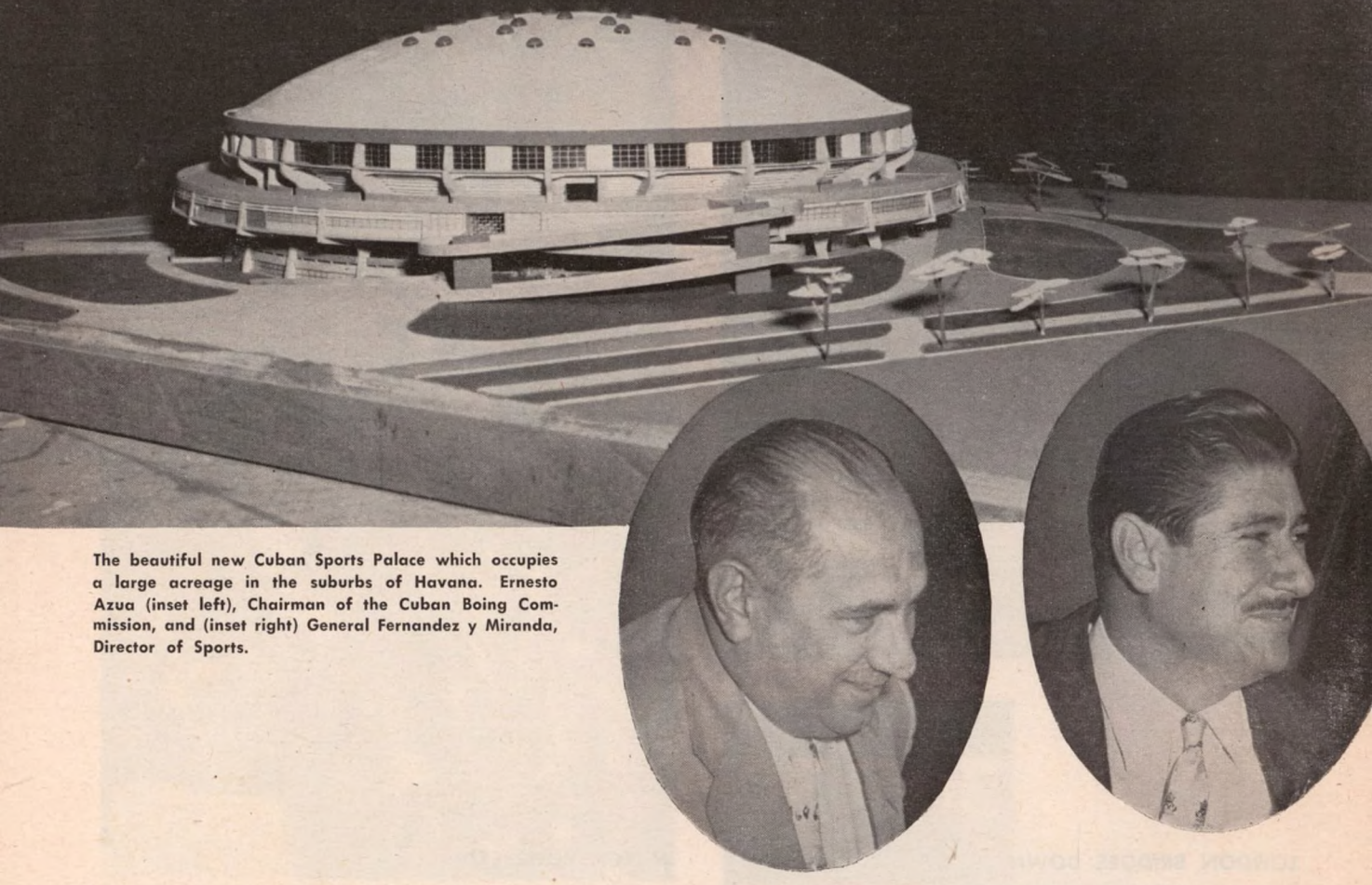
Brian London, British heavyweight, doubles over after being hit by American heavyweight Willie Pastrano during bout held at Harringay Arena, London, England. Pastrano won ten round decision.

WATCH YOUR STEP



James Stepp, of Roswell, N. M., tagged by I. C. Coleman of Kansas City, starts the trip to the canvas during Golden Gloves heavyweight bout at Chicago Stadium. Bout was stopped seconds later.

CUBAN ARENA TOPS



The beautiful new Cuban Sports Palace which occupies a large acreage in the suburbs of Havana. Ernesto Azua (inset left), Chairman of the Cuban Boing Commission, and (inset right) General Fernandez y Miranda, Director of Sports.

By NAT FLEISCHER

ABOUT twenty years ago, I attended the dedication exercises at the opening of the Sports Palace in Havana, Cuba. It was an occasion for which "The Ring" donated eleven gold belts for various championship events that featured a program presided over by the Cuban President who had as his guests dignitaries from various parts of the world. Major Jamie Marine, Chief Assistant of Colonel Batista, then head of the Cuban Army and now the Cuban president and the late Luis Gutierrez, Boxing Commissioner, arranged the affair. At their request, I flew to the Pearl of the Antilles to attend the function and deliver a speech.

A few weeks ago, another invitation reached me from General Fernando Miranda, brother-in-law of President Batista and Director of Sports in his cabinet. This time I was requested to be present at the ceremonies attending the dedication exercises at the opening of Cuba's new sports arena, a huge circular building twice the size of the old Sports Palace. It is an arena with a seating capacity of 19,000 for fights and about 12,000 for basketball and other indoor sports.

When I attended the opening of the old sports arena, Gutierrez put on an excellent card in which three championship bouts were billed and Kid Gavilan, Cuba's latest sensation at that time, was featured. For the new arena, Ernesto Azua, who is the Boxing Commission chairman, arranged with the International Boxing Club for Joey Brown, world lightweight king to fight the Cuban title holder, Baby Orlando Echevarria in an overweight match and backed the main event with three Latin America title contests. For the first time in TV history, a boxing match was televised from Cuba to the United States though many have emanated from the States and have been seen in that country.

Thus it was a history-making occasion. To add to the interest, the Cuban government invited a group of New York, Florida and Chicago sports writers to be its guests at the dedication ceremonies.

The new Sports Palace is an air-conditioned building. It is an arena built like that in Milan, Italy, whose dome is the only one larger than that in Havana's palace of sports. The Cuban building is constructed of concrete but the extensive use of marble, murals and paints of pastel shades of blue, green, red and yellow make the interior extremely attractive. More than 2500 square feet of wall area of the lobbies and courts are covered with the Cuban pink marble that was quarried in the Province of Pinar del Rio. Another section of the lobby walls is finely decorated with eight large murals painted by the Cuban artist, Ronaldo Lopez Dirube. Themes of the murals are boxing, fencing, acrobatics, equestrian sports, archery, basketball, gymnastics, track and field.

The diameter of the Sports Palace is 338 feet, six inches. The center arena where sports action will take place, has a diameter of 125 feet. The present plans are to use this section for tennis, rodeos, ice-shows, circuses and basketball as well as for boxing, Cuba's most popular sport next to baseball. When boxing is staged, the center arena will be filled with temporary ringside seats adding 3000 to the 16,000 actual seating capacity.

The arena has a large first aid room, a complete medical and dental clinic, with x-ray room, a special closed section to accommodate 50 sports writers, telecasters and radio announcer at the top of the building in addition to another similar section that is open. The Sports Palace also has four large dormitories to care for visiting athletes, each with a capacity for seventy men or women. Located on this floor, are living accommodations for Cuban athletes coming from outside Havana and for foreign visiting athletes. Attached to these quarters is a large dining room bringing the entire into the scope of a miniature Olympic Village status.

The medical setup is the finest in the world. It will do credit to any hospital.

The structure was started by General Batista, President of Cuba and the construction has been supervised by General Fernandez Miranda, Chief of Cuban sports for the Government, and Ernesto Azua, Chairman of the Boxing Commission. The only comparable sports arena is that in Milan.

The opening of the new stadium brought back memories of the golden days when Kid Chocolate, the Cuban Bon Bon stood out as one of the cleverest boxers in the world. He was a featherweight whose rise to fistic fame is what started boxing on a big scale in the Pearl of the Antilles. His recognition by the New York State Athletic Commission as world featherweight champion and as holder of the junior lightweight crown, a title accepted at the time by all commissions, aroused national interest in the sport in his country.

The story of boxing in Cuba centers around Kid Chocolate. His popularity has never declined. It was because of the national interest he had aroused in boxing in the late twenties and through the following ten years, that the government inaugurated a program of free instruction and medical care to all who desired to take up boxing. Within three years, the Island had established schools throughout Cuba, established a medical clinic that became the forerunner of many such in all parts of our country and built the Sports Palace which over the years has been the scene of many international matches. Now the new stadium will replace it.

Until three years ago, Kid Chocolate held the post of chief supervisor of training and boxing in Cuba. Ill health forced him to retire though his government pension, awarded him when he quit as a professional boxer, continues.

The story of Chocolate is truly an Horatio Alger yarn. When at the height of his career, he was one of the greatest showman I ever saw in the ring. Only a few boxers in recent years have displayed the technique and beauty in boxing—Ray Robinson and Willie Pep. Like these two, Cholocate had everything, but most of anything, he had showmanship.

With long, inky black hair plastered tightly to his little round skull and oiled to a rich lustre; a small luminous black face; shining white teeth that sparkled under the lights; a broad grin, black fighting shoes with white stockings rolled down over the top; white anklets; trunks of black satin trimmed with bright red and a bright-hued silk gown covering his shiny, black, patent leather back—what a picture. A Broadway actor couldn't make a more spectacular appearance.

He was a picture boxer if ever there was one. I recall a talk I had with William Muldoon, Chairman of the New York Athletic Commission following the Keed's knockout of Johnny Green in the fourth round in New York, one of the Cuban's early battles, in which Muldoon remarked:

"He's a second George Dixon. He's as pretty a boxer as I've seen."

That, coming from a man with such wide experience in ring affairs as Muldoon, was something one couldn't forget.

The veteran scribes around New York, referred to Chocolate as a combination of Dixon and Joe Gans. They hailed him as the greatest little Negro boy to come along in many years. In a little more than a year after he had come to America begging for work, he was the talk of the boxing

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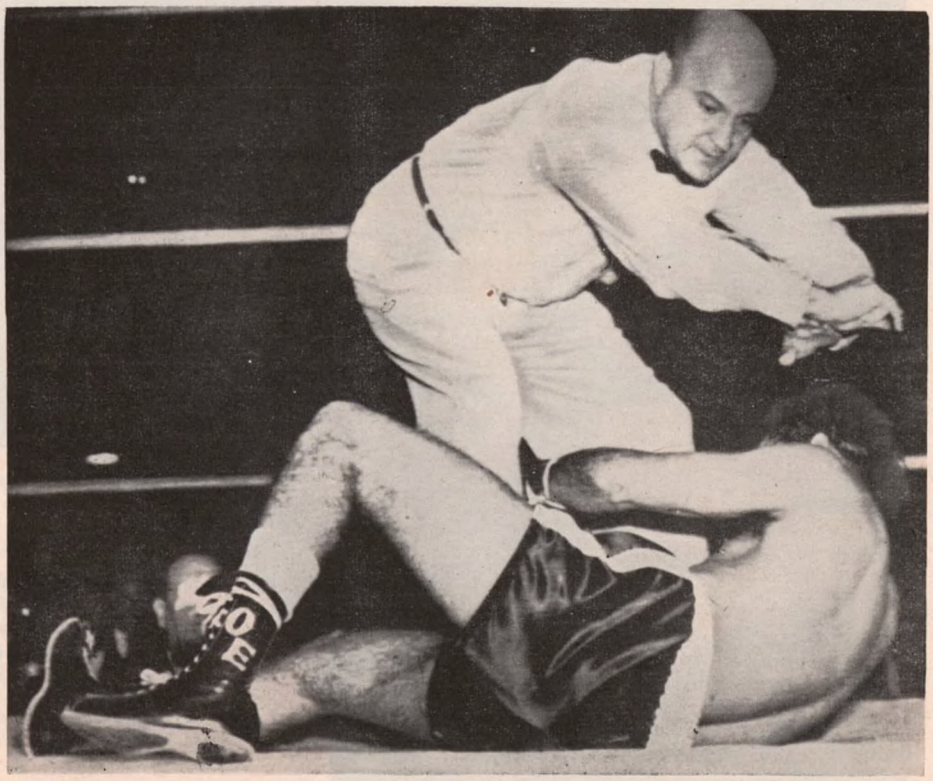


The new sports arena was inaugurated with a non-title bout between world lightweight champion Joe Brown and Cuba's Orlando Echevarria. Brown provided the fireworks, scoring a stunning one round kayo.

DESPERATION FIGHTERS

The Guys Who Never Stop Trying, Even In The Face of Certain Defeat, Are Often Most Dangerous.

By AL BUCK

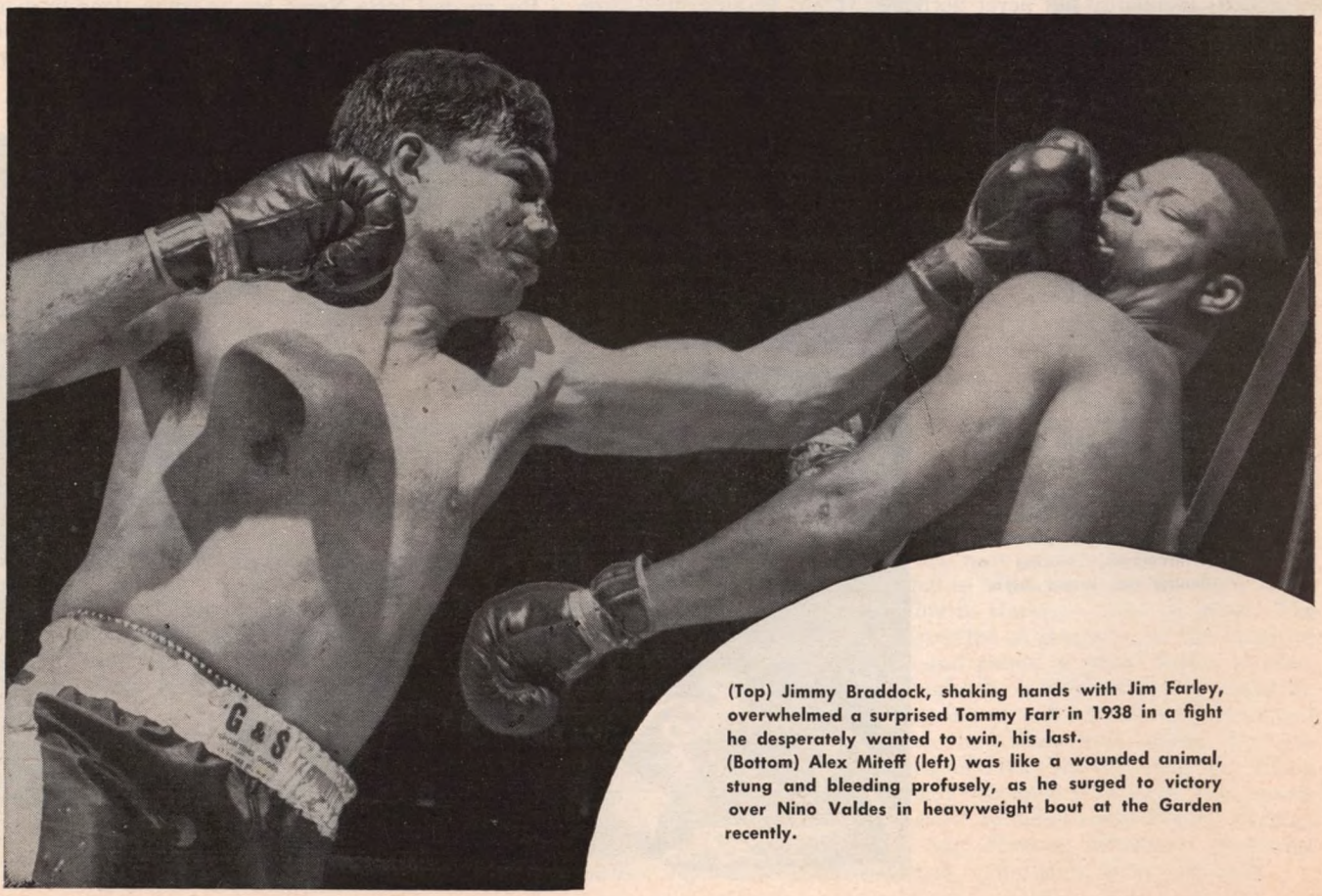
A DESPERATE man, battling against the tide, is often more dangerous than a high-powered motor car in the hands of a juvenile delinquent; a third rail, or a young bull on the loose.

If he is a fighter he is capable of aroused action, such as Alex Miteff was when the Argentine heavyweight surged to victory over Nino Valdes, the Cuban. Miteff was a wounded animal, and his triumph at the Garden recently reminded veteran observers of other come-from-behind victories. Like the night James J. Braddock did the Big Apple.

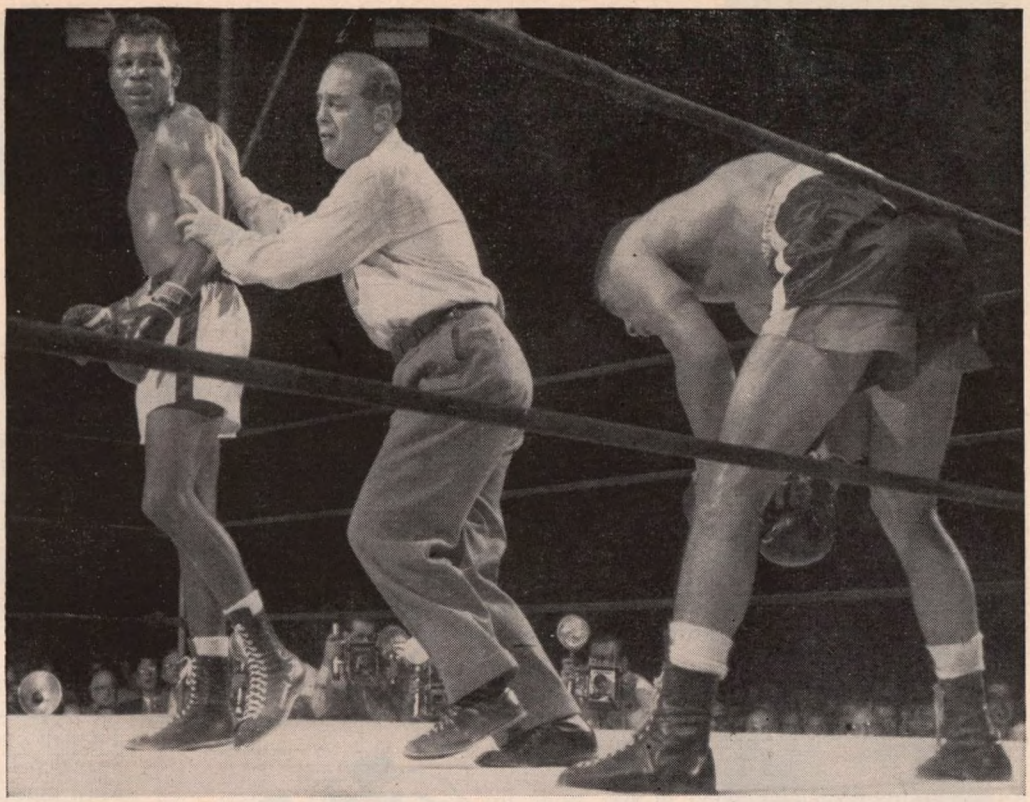
Jimmy Braddock had lost the world heavyweight championship to Joe Louis, and in his first defense of the crown the Brown Bomber had won a 15-round decision from Tommy Farr, the Welshman. Promoter Mike Jacobs took the obvious step when he matched Braddock and Farr.

Braddock was trailing, seemingly doomed to defeat at the end of the eighth. Urged on by his seconds, as he prepared to go out for the next round, Jim reassured them:

"I'm going out and do the Big Apple."



(Top) Jimmy Braddock, shaking hands with Jim Farley, overwhelmed a surprised Tommy Farr in 1938 in a fight he desperately wanted to win, his last.
(Bottom) Alex Miteff (left) was like a wounded animal, stung and bleeding profusely, as he surged to victory over Nino Valdes in heavyweight bout at the Garden recently.



Ray Robinson (left) seemed on the verge of losing his return bout with Randy Turpin in 1951 when he unleashed a savage attack that halted the Britisher in the tenth round. Referee Ruby Goldstein holds him off.

Those in the crowded Garden that night will never forget what they saw. The desperate Braddock hammered the surprised Farr from rope to rope. He backed Tommy into a corner and fired with both hands. The rally carried through the 10th, and the ex-champion's hand was lifted in token of victory.

Two days later, on a Sunday, Braddock issued a statement: "It was the kid's last fight," said Jersey Jim in announcing his retirement.

Braddock left 'em cheering. He left 'em a winner. That is how they remember him.

There was an aftermath. Defeated by Louis, and then by Braddock, Farr, like Valdes, felt he was the victim of bad officiating. He signed with Joe Gould, Braddock's manager, who promptly signed him to fight Max Baer.

Gould moved in Doc Robb, Braddock's trainer, and sent him to Summit, N. J., where Farr was getting ready to fight Mad Maxie. One night they got to talking.

"You know I licked Jimmy Braddock," Farr said to Robb.

"You never saw the day you could lick one side of Jimmy Braddock," replied Robb.

A frantic phone call from Farr to Gould followed. Robb was relieved of his duties. Even so Tommy lost to Baer.

There are times when a man, though desperate, can't do what he wants to do. Defending the title against Louis, Braddock came to know his cause was helpless.

"I'm going to stop it Jimmy," said Gould in the corner.

"If you do I'll never speak to you again," threatened the fading champion.

At the gong the champion went out to meet the inevitable. In the next round—the eighth—he was knocked out.

MOORE WANTED TO BE KNOCKED OUT

Archie Moore, under similar circumstances, reacted as did Braddock. He had failed in his attempt to win the heavyweight crown from Rocky Marciano. He knew the end was near, and between rounds Referee Harry Kessler visited his corner.

"I'm going to stop the fight Archie," said Kessler.

"Don't do it," said the battered Moore. "I want to be knocked out."

He was—in the 9th round. Prize fighters, the good ones, have pride.

A more desperate fighter hasn't been seen than Marciano in his title winning fight with Jersey Joe Walcott. If ever a challenger faced defeat it was the Brockton Blockbuster. He was floored in the first round. He was battered throughout the next 11, and was bleeding from a wound on his head. Rocky was having trouble seeing his shifty foe, who was two rounds in front on the official scorecards when the gong sounded for the 13th.

Then it happened. The always dangerous Marciano, in desperation, caught Walcott with his back to the ropes. Rocky's right exploded on Walcott's jaw. As the champion crumbled Rocky's left grazed his head, but it was a meaningless punch.

The right hand turned defeat into victory. Walcott was counted out, and Marciano was world heavyweight champion.

Marciano, destined to retire undefeated, was on the verge of destruction in his second fight with Ezzard Charles. Ezz was a better fighter than he is given credit for being, and in the seventh round he split the Rock's nose. The champion was also cut over the left eye.

Rocky was in a bad way going out for the eighth. His corner was in a state of confusion, and his seconds had been unable to stop the flow of blood from his wounds. It was now or never with the champ.

Marciano jabbed, then hooked. Charles opened up with a left and right to the head, and in the exchange Marciano first shook the challenger with a left, then dropped him for three with a right to the jaw. Charles struggled up at three to be knocked out with a left hook to the jaw.

If the fight had gone much longer it would have had to be stopped, and Charles would have regained the crown he lost to Walcott. A desperate Marciano had turned defeat into victory.

ROBINSON NEVER STOPPED PUNCHING ONCE HE WAS IN TROUBLE WITH TURPIN

Sugar Ray Robinson was in big trouble fighting to regain the middleweight crown from Randy Turpin.

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A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

FEATURE

By BOB ALLEN

A FEW weeks ago **Jimmy McLarnin, visiting in New York,** attended a boxing show at Madison Square Garden. Johnny Addie, ring announcer, spotted McLarnin sitting at ringside and called him in for an introduction. The response of the spectators was instantaneous and enthusiastic. Jimmy received a fine hand, though it is more than twenty years ago since he made his last boxing appearance.

The McLarnin introduction reminded us of a similiar occasion several years ago when Billy Petrolle showed up at a Garden fight, accompanied by his daughter. Told in advance that he was going to be invited to take a bow from the center of the ring, Billy demurred.

"The fans don't know me anymore," he said.

But just before the main event Addie announced the presence in the audience of the "Old Fargo Express" and asked him into the ring. Reluctantly Billy left his seat and climbed the ring stairs to as tumultuous an outburst of applause as we've heard in the New York arena since the night Barney Ross, just back from Guadalcanal and a Marine hero, accepted a plaque from the late Mayor Jimmy Walker at a ceremony in the Garden ring.

Billy acknowledged the plaudits and then, with tears in his eyes, rejoined his daughter at ringside.

"Gosh," she said, "I always knew you were popular but not THAT popular."

Things We Don't See In This Country: A Jack Solomons showcard announcing Willie Pastrano-Brian London, carried this notice in big bold-face type—"SHOW COMPLETELY SOLD OUT."

The bulletin-newsletter put out by the National Boxing Association lists as an oddity the fact that the British Board of Boxing Control has no formal sanction from the Government. Why this should be classified as an oddity deponent knoweth not since the NBA has no formal sanction from the Government either—at least no Government that we know of.

Also noted in the NBA newsletter is the fact that under the laws of Great Britain boxing is not recognized in England. What is meant here is that some boxing is probably not recognized as such in England. That's true in this country as well.

At a Philadelphia banquet arranged by the Brith Sholom Lodge, Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney—who had met their first title match in that city 32 years before—were awarded plaques. In accepting his award Dempsey said: "I'm happy to share this award with Gene—and I'd be just as happy, if need be, to share my last dollar with him."

This reminded us of the time some-

one said to Jim Norris: "Boy, I sure wish I had your money," and Norris replied: "Don't say that. Just say you wish you had as much as I've got. Then we'd both have it."

Rocky Marciano has turned farmer in Florida. He is now raising potatoes —to go, presumably, with the gravy he made while boxing. But we wish Rocky as much success raising spuds as he had raising cauliflower during his illustrious ring career.

"Emperor George" Gainford, Ray Robinson's trainer and adviser, has combined diet and exercise to take off 60 pounds. Gainford says his system is so good that even his feet have shrunk in size so that he now wears a size 10 shoe whereas he used to wear a size 11. If this system works as well on head sizes, there are some prima donnas we'd like to recommend it to.

A note we picked up in a sports column said: "Rory Calhoun plays a game in Stillman's Gym—some of the hangers-on whistle a symphony and the middleweight identifies the name of the composition and the composer."

Our only comment here is that if the hangers-on at Stillman's can whistle a symphony, then the hangers-on are much more interesting than the fighters who train there. This does not include Calhoun, however, because Rory, a most capable middleweight, really knows classical music.

The same column referred to above carried another stimulating item: "Paul Jorgensen, the Texas featherweight who attends Sam Houston College, grossed more money in 1957 than the president of the school—Jorgensen grossed $35,000." Yeah, but can the president of the school box? And whom did he ever beat?

In the course of a television interview recently former President Harry S. Truman remarked that the Star Spangled Banner is not "good music." Most musicians agree with him but we do not believe this justified an announcement by the Madison Square Garden Wrestling Promoters that the National Anthem would be used to quell riots among wrestling fans. Instructions were given to play the anthem if and when any trouble started among the spectators. We think the National Anthem deserves more respect —good music or no.

The recent death of Elias Lustig at 67 caused veteran boxing men to recall that it was Lustig, as former president and chairman of the Adam Hat Store chain, who first recognized the value of boxing as a merchandising medium. It was through Lustig that Adam Hats became boxing's first commercial sponsor on radio and it was Nat Fleischer, Ring Editor, who obtained the first contract for such for Mike Jacobs' Twentieth Century Sporting Club in the New York Hippodrome.

The National Boxing Association bulletin we referred to earlier carried an enlightening bit of information: there ain't no such thing as the term "cut eye" in boxing lingo, says the bulletin; the term should be "facial laceration." We have news for the NBA; there ain't no such term in boxing lingo as "facial laceration"—the term is "cut eye."

"Facial laceration" is a medical term, like "slipped sacro-iliac articulation," a term once used to describe an injury suffered by Henry Armstrong just before a scheduled fight with Ceferino Garcia. Boxing writers were understandably baffled by this information. They pressed the doctor for elucidation.

"In boxing lingo," said the medico, "just say it's a bum back."

NEW FACES

By LEW ESKIN

FOUR promising young mittmen who have shown signs of the ability needed to become top-notch attractions are lightweight Henry Gutierrez of Deming, New Mexico; welterweight Glenn Burgess of Meridian, Idaho; middleweight Tom Brown of Trenton, N. J., and Dale Manz of New Plymouth, Idaho. Manz, a veteran of four years service in the U. S. Navy, is at twenty-five the elder statesman of the group and Gutierrez, at eighteen, the baby. However, Henry with twenty-one professional bouts behind him has the most experience.

Gutierrez, born and raised in Deming, New Mexico, is the oldest of five children, having three brothers and a sister. His dad is Mexican and his mother, Irish. A good looking blond haired youngster, he began to box as an amateur at the Deming Athletic Club when he was only fourteen and compiled a record of thirty-one wins in thirty-three bouts, scoring twenty-six knockouts and earning for himself several Golden Gloves and amateur championships, as well as the nickname of "Little Marciano".

Henry scaled a little over the hundred pound mark when he first laced on the gloves and was a featherweight when he turned pro in November of 1956 in Juarez, Mexico. He has now grown into a solidly built one hundred and forty pounder.

A typical teen-ager, he is a student at Deming High School, and spends his free time with his schoolmates hanging around the local soda fountain and at dances where he loves that "Rock and Roll Music". Although he loves Spanish food, he knows it is a bit too spicy for a fighter's diet and sticks to steak when he is in training.

Since beginning his punch-for-pay career, he has fought twenty-two times, winning eighteen, losing two and fighting two draws. A good puncher, he has recorded thirteen kayos and reversed both of his losses. At the present time he is on an eighteen bout win streak. Holder of the New Mexico lightweight title, he has done most of his fighting close to home so far, but this summer is planning on a trip to California where he can step up in class. In his last start he turned in a six round kayo over the veteran Johnny Hart. Hart is a boy who holds wins over Andy Escobar, Buddy Evatt, Jorge Macias and has fought Cisco Andrade, Jimmy Martinez, Mickey Northrup, Eddie Chavez and Lou Filippo. Henry also has held welterweights Bobby Ortiz and Joe Castaneda to draws. Joe is an experienced battler who has faced all the top men in Mexico.

For a lad just past his eighteenth birthday, Gutierrez has come a long way up the fistic ladder and Border boxing fans are sure he still is far from his zenith.

Tom Brown, Trenton 155 pounder, is rated the best youngster to come out of the Capital City since Ike Williams started his march to the lightweight throne. A slick boxer with a sharp right hand punch, twenty-year-old Brown is unbeaten in his short pro career that began last summer in Newark and has continued in Philadelphia, where he is fast becoming a favorite. In running off six straight, he has scored two kayos, including a win over Al Styles in what was regarded as a big upset as Al had won eight straight before meeting Tom.

Born in Trenton, the oldest of three boys, his brother Jimmy is the present New Jersey Golden Glove 175-pound champion. Tom was an all-around athlete at Trenton High, playing on the football and basketball teams. He started boxing in 1954 for the P.A.L. and captured the New Jersey AAU welterweight title that year. In 1955 he lost in the finals of the Golden Gloves and in 1956 won the Open 147-pound title, reaching the Eastern semi-finals where he was ousted on a close decision by Dick Hall. Hall went on to win the Inter-City crown and is one of the top young middleweights in the ring today.

Last year Tom repeated as Jersey champion, this time in the middleweight class, and swept on to take the Eastern title when he handed Billy Horne of Charlotte his first loss after the Southern champion had won 63 straight bouts. A touch of the flu kept him out of the Inter-City bouts. During his amateur career, Brown won 26 of 29 fights.

Since he graduated from Trenton High, Tom has gone into the moving and trucking business with his uncle. "I like the work as it helps to keep me in good condition for boxing," Tom said. Tom Brown's school days were

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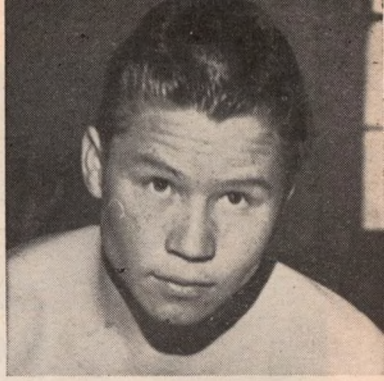
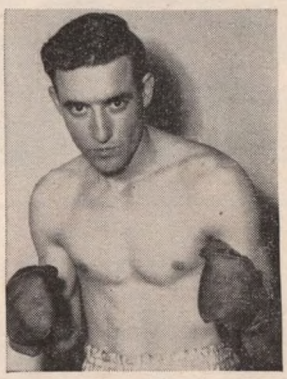


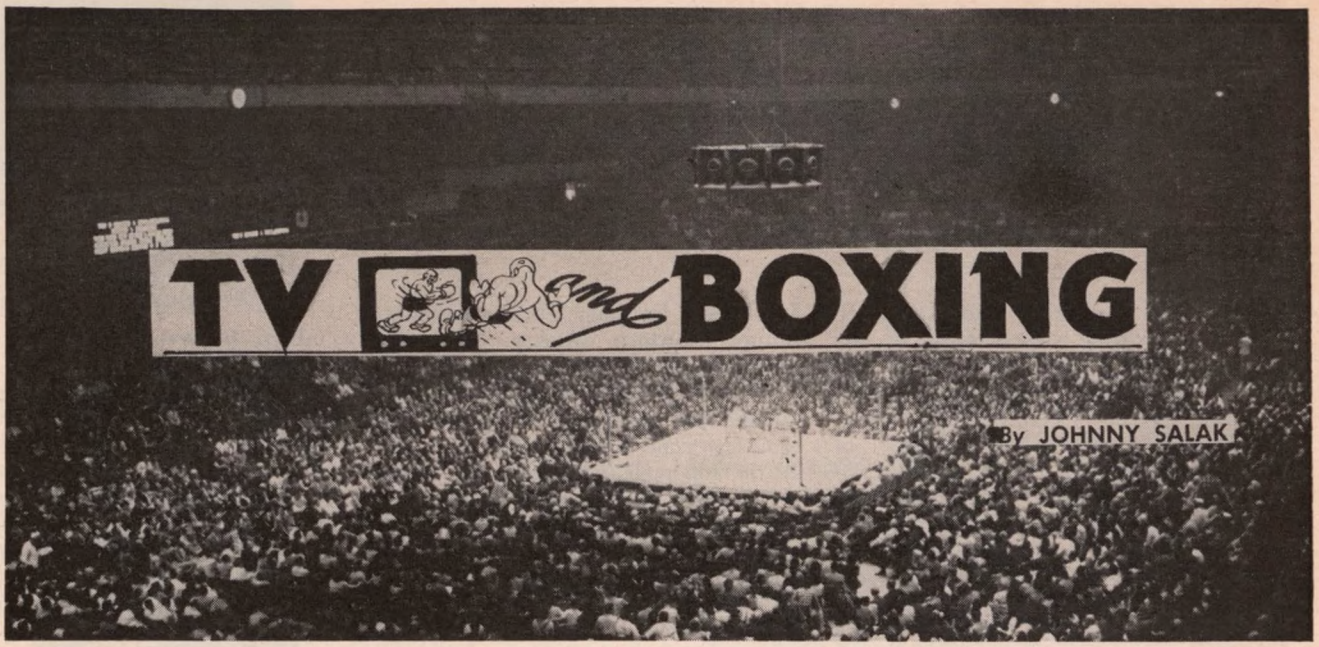
Henry Gutierrez, New Mexico Lightweight Champion, who is on a long win streak.



Glenn Burgess, promising Meridian, Idaho welterweight.

Former Golden Glove champion Tom Brown from Trenton, N. J. Tom is undefeated as a pro.

Ex Sailor Dale Manz, of New Plymouth, Idaho, holder of the Idaho middleweight belt.



TV and BOXING

By JOHNNY SALAK

MONDAY

TV BOXING

ST. NICHOLAS ARENA, New York (DuMont TV Network), Chris Schenkel, Announcer.

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† CAVALCADE OF SPORTS, Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Network), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV).

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dunphy, Announcer.

PAY-AS-YOU-SEE TV made its boxing debut on February 11 at the Midwest Gym in Chicago, when the feature bout between Jerry Mortell of Chicago and Don Alderson of Cannonsburg, Pa., welterweights, was piped into the Conrad Hilton Hotel and was viewed by newsmen and sports figures.

The event marked the first time in history that the International Boxing Club, promoters of the Wednesday and Friday night fights, used the closed wire pay-as-you-see system, developed by International Telemeter Corp.

For purposes of demonstration, the audience was told it could have a choice of a modern movie at the cost of 85 cents, a basketball game for 50 cents or the fight which also cost 50 cents.

The preliminaries of the fight card were seen at no charge. Then a gentleman appeared on the screen and announced it would cost 50 cents—to be deposited in the meter—to watch the main event. The screen went blank, 50 cents was dropped into the meter and the show was on.

Except for the notable lack of commercials, the picture was the same as free television. One attempted innovation was wiring each corner for sound in order to hear the conversation of handlers between rounds. Background noise, however, made it impossible to hear.

The pay-as-you-see organization now hopes to establish unnamed centers on the West and East coasts for experimental purposes.

Truman Gibson, secretary of the I. B. C., said the project probably will be available on a nation-wide basis to the public in "about two years." Putting meters on individual sets will be the time consuming factor.

"These experiments will not interfere in any manner with the regularly scheduled Wednesday and Friday night free boxing shows," said Gibson.

"We are interested in exploring this method of paid transmission in order to add to the compensation which could be given participants and to increase the variety and quality of presentations offered television viewers," he added.

The pay-as-you-see organization, a subsidiary of Paramount Pictures, hopes in the future to sell local franchises to present current feature movies not available on free TV, big league league baseball, collegiate and professional football, championship boxing matches, Broadway stage shows, opera, ballets, symphony concerts or what have you.

Within two years at least one million American homes will be wired for pay television, according to Paul MacNamara, vice president of the International Telemeter Corp.

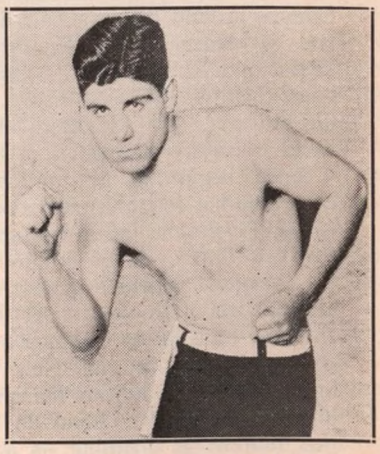
He described the experiment from the Midwest Gym as the "first showing of a live sporting event as it would be seen by a viewer in his home."

The project needs no approval by the Federal Communications Commission, radio and television's licensing agency, because it doesn't use "public" airwaves.

Congressmen and the FCC are currently involved in a bitter harangue about the merits and demerits of "air link" pay television

In Chicago, MacNamara and his crew are demonstrating Telemeter to hundreds of prospective buyers from the Midwest.

"We now have about 110 applications for local franchise and we expect to have our first systems operating by



Jimmy O'Gatty, popular middleweight of the early 1920's who has been out in Hollywood for many years and recently had a featured role on TV in Climax's life of the late Albert Anastasia.

the end of 1958, one on the East and another on the West," said MacNamara.

MacNamara estimated the cost to an individual viewer would be about $5 for installation of the decoder-coinbox and from 50 cents to about $2 for each show, with a $2 or $3 a month minimum charge.

THEATRE-TV TOPS

On the eve of battle, TelePrompTer's closed-circuit set-up for the telecasting into theatres of the return bout between Carmen Basilio and Ray Robinson, with the world middleweight title at stake, seemed assured of record-breaking figures in all departments, number of theatres, number of cities, total audience and, all important, gross receipts.

Over 200 theatres, with a total seating capacity of over 500,000 were lined up for The Big Fight. Only one drive-in theatre, because of the season, Loew's 35 at Keyport, N. J., handled the bout. They had space for 2,400 cars and charged $14 a car, with $3.50 for each additional person over a total of four.

Metropolitan New York was fully blanketed, with twenty-one theatres screening the fight. Their total seating capacity was 70,000. Reserved seats were not sold. However, they had "guaranteed seating," which means that sale of tickets was halted whenever total seating capacity was exhausted before the show.

At the Westchester County Center, where all 4,219 seats sold at $4.60, films of the first Basilio-Robinson fight were shown as the "preliminary" while at the Yonkers Cross County Shopping Center (9,000 outdoor seats at $6.60 and $4.40) fight films were on the "underneath."

JIMMY O'GATTY ON TV

Jimmy O'Gatty, popular middleweight of the 1920's, had a feature role in the recent one hour television program direct from Hollywood, Climax's life of the late Albert Anastasia.

O'Gatty played the part of a bodyguard of Anastasia, as did Abie Bain, former Newark, N. J. middleweight.

Jimmy, brother of the effervescent Packy, is a Hollywood veteran, having appeared in such motion pictures as "The Harder They Fall" and "The Prizefighter and The Lady." He has also been technical advisor for many films on boxing.

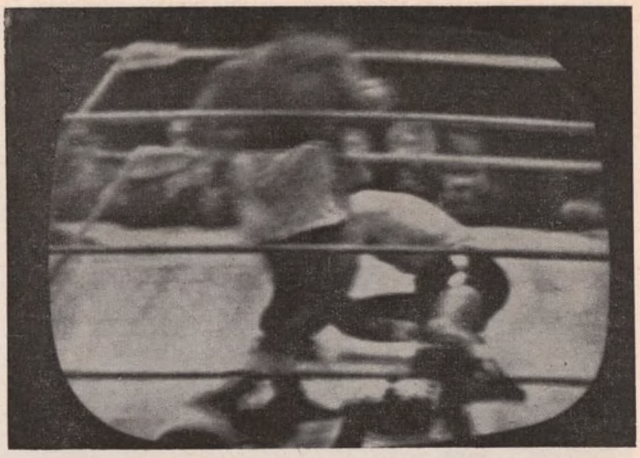
During his ring career he met such stalwarts as Lou Bogash, Paul Doyle, Phil Krug, Dave Rosenberg, Vic McLaughlin, Panama Joe Gans, Jack Delaney, K. O. Phil Kaplan and Rene DeVos.

A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

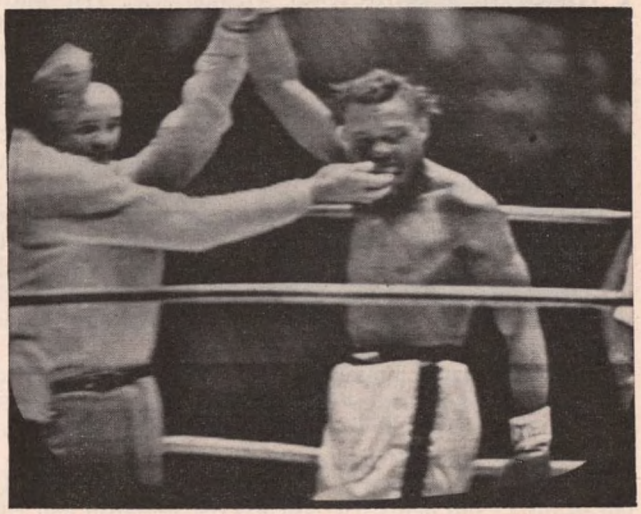
Global TV, a visual trip around the world in 80 seconds, neared reality with the telecasting of the first sports event "from overseas" to the United States, on February 26, from Havana, Cuba, world lightweight champion Joe Brown scoring a stunning one round knockout in a non-title bout against the Cuban titleholder, Orlando Echevarria. The event also signalled the opening of Havana's new Sports Palance, an arena which puts America's play houses of sports to shame.

In telecasting the fast-action, quickly-concluded bout, the ABC-TV network was using the recently developed "over-the-horizon scatter system" to bring the bout to the sets of America. The system is known technically as "tropospheric scatter propogation," which is actually what Joe Brown meant to say when he shot over a couple of shorts rights to the head.

The system uses high-powered transmitters and giant antenna to force radio waves beyond the earth's curvature (over the horizon). It differs from normal microwave transmission, which works on line-of-sight and requires amplification every 30 to 40 miles.



A photo of the image received on a television set in the United States during the Joe Brown-Orlando Echevarria fight from Havana, Cuba. It was the first fight ever TV'ed from "overseas" to the U. S.



This photo shows Joe Brown's hand being held up by the referee as a handler takes his mouthpiece, following his stunning one round kayo over Echevarria. It was made from an ABC-TV monitor screen.

The fight signal was sent from Havana's Sports Palace by microwave to Guanabo, Cuba, 13 miles away, where a giant transmitter, 60 feet wide and 60 feet high, resembling an outsized drive-in movie screen, sent out a signal 10 times broadcast strength.

This signal, beamed toward a receiver below the horizon at Florida City, Fla., 180 miles away, passed beyond the horizon, or the earth's curvature. It reached a layer of air known as the troposphere which directed part of the signal back down toward the receiving antenna in Florida City.

From Florida City, a picture of broadcast quality was relayed by regular microwave to Miami, 37 miles away, where it was microwaved north to Washington, D. C., thence to stations all over the country.

This all may sound very complicated, but in reality it proved very simple, as demonstrated by Joe Brown. The way he graphically explained it, you have a transmitter (Brown) and a receiver (Echevarria) and the shortest distance between the two points, to make for a perfect picture, is a straight right hand, flush on the button. There are few who will argue the point with him.

CHANNEL HOPPING. . . . With the Eurovision system already in use in Europe, by which Britain, France, Italy and Germany are united in a single electronic net-

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WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

by JOE SMITH

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, Hawaii . . . (1st Battle Group, 14th Infantry, Golden Dragons) . . . Sfc Claude (Sandy) Sandlin, Dragon sports jack-of-all-sports, leaves the 14th Infantry and will rotate to Germany in June. Sfc Sandlin has over 10 years of service in the Army, principally in the Far East. He is an accredited coach and umpire and is also master of three major sports and several minor ones.

He played center and fullback for a record of seven times in the All-Army Far East Football Games from 1948 to 1956, excepting 1950. Five times he received world-wide honorable mention on the All-Army Team. He formerly played professional ball for the Detroit Lions and is now a scout for the Washington Redskins.

A baseball player himself, he was selected the outstanding umpire in Japan in 1954, and for three years umpired the Far East Baseball Tournament. He is a member of the National Association of Baseball Umpires.

An amateur and then a professional boxer, he won 13 out of his 17 pro fights. He coached the All-Japan and All-Korea boxing teams 1955-56, and was a coach on the All-Far East Boxing Team. Sandlin promoted and refereed the first Good Will International Boxing Matches, pitting the finest Japanese boxers against the best service boxers in the Far East. This program was acclaimed the outstanding sporting event in the Far East in 1954. Sandlin was also selected to train a Japanese champion, Shigeji Kaneko, the American style of boxing.

In 1956 he ran a 15 day umpire clinic at Camp Carson, Colorado. While with the Golden Dragons, Sandlin held a boxing clinic for the benefit of all members of the unit.

Taking time off for handball and badminton, he won the South Japan championship in 1956. He is also a qualified life guard and team swimmer.

In 1950, Sandlin took part in the Pusan Perimeter defense in the Korean War and won the CIB and the Purple Heart.

FORT LEWIS . . . A VASTLY IMPROVED Fort Lewis boxing squad with a half-dozen Pacific Northwest Golden Glove titles under their belts are likely to be rude hosts at the Sixth Army boxing championships.

Termed "60 per cent improved since the Tacoma matches" by Fort Lewis boxing co-ordinator Ray Reed, the Chieftains will send a seasoned 10-man delegation in a bid to reclaim the Army area championship they held in 1955 and 1956.

Fort Ord's defending titlists will again pose the most formidable opposition for the host aggregation with a highly regarded five-man crew.

In all, 25 boxers from eight Sixth Army posts are expected to vie for laurels in the colorful fistic extravaganza. The finals will be televised by KTVW-TV.

Top Fort Lewis entry appears to be a stylish featherweight, Don Johnson, this year's Tacoma and Portland Golden Gloves title-holder. Undefeated in his Army career, the 22-year-old belter from St. Louis is rated a hot prospect for professional ranks.

Middleweight Rufus Mitchell, who also claimed championships at Tacoma and Portland, is another strong Fort Lewis entry.

Other Portland Gloves champs who rate as tough contenders are light-heavyweight Joe Jerry and welterweight Charles Brown.

Brown figures to have his hands full in what looms to be a hectic three-rounder with Ray Gil from the U. S. Disciplinary Barracks, Lompoc, Calif.

Gil, a two-time California Golden Gloves and AAU king with an impressive record of 190 wins in 207 outings, was last year's Far East Army welterweight titlist.

Another fine bout was between Madigan Army Hospital's muscular Bob Sutton testing Fort Lewis' experienced Johnny Streets, 1957 Golden Gloves middleweight kingpin, in a feature lightheavy go.

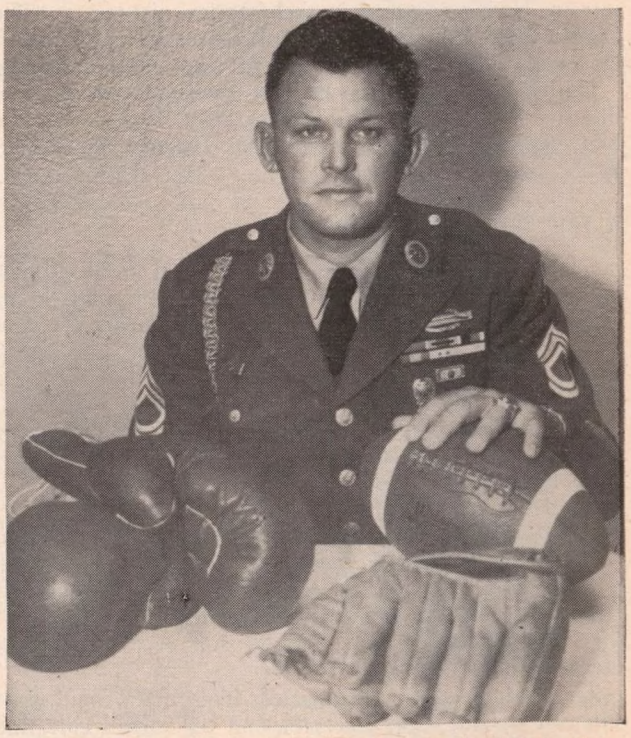
A newcomer to the ring, Sutton was narrowly decisioned this year by National AAU lightweight champ Lindy Lindmoser at Portland.

Another Madigan Army Hospital battler, bantamweight Ron Nichols, also figures as a strong pre-turney favorite. A Tacoma Gloves runner-up in January, Nichols twice won Los Angeles Golden Gloves bantamweight and flyweight titles.

Sgt. Abron Griffin, 1958 Mojave Desert Inter-Service League light-middleweight champ from Camp Irwin, and a trio from Fort Lawton, flyweight Creighton G. Ward, bantamweight Jessie L. Chandler and middleweight Donald E. Parsons, will be other top contenders.

Jensen gymnasium, where the Sixth Army boxing championships will be held, is one of the armed forces' largest and most modern athletic plants.

The spacious brick building regularly seats about 2,500 spectators, and with the addition of bleachers at the ends



Jack-of-all-Sports, SFC Claude (Sandy) Sandlin, has left the 14th Infantry Division and gone to Germany. Sandy, a former pro fighter, profootball player and an accredited umpire, is still closely associated with all sports.

and chairs on the basketball court, the capacity is nearer 5,000.

The gym was built in 1949 as part of a $500,000 sports layout after troops of the 2nd Division subscribed much of the money.

In June, 1950, it was dedicated in honor of 1st Lt. John J. Jensen of Arco, Ida., who was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for "extraordinary heroism" in action with the division in France in 1944.

Its recently installed hardwood floor can be converted into three basketball courts or two volleyball courts. Facilities for boxing, wrestling, weightlifting and many other sports activities are available to soldiers as part of the Army's physical conditioning program.

The feast came before the fights for some two dozen Sixth Army championship contenders here.

The fist-flinging troopers who made their ring bid in the Sixth Army tournament, were accorded a banquet at the Top Two Graders sergeant's club.

Col. Edgar Wright greeted the fighters and Maj. Henry Baird, Fort Lewis Special Services Officer, emceed the gathering. Col. Wright is deputy post commander.

Henry Gustafson, Sixth Army sports director, and commanders of regiments and battle groups here also attended.

Fort Lewis featherweight Don Johnson will be gunning for his biggest title in the Sixth Army matches.

Winning the Sixth Army championship would cap an amateur ring career which has already netted him five Golden Gloves crowns. The flashy St. Louis youngster scored two TKO's and decisioned Seattle's Quincy Daniels to win.

Johnson took belts in the 1951, 1952 and 1953 Ozark AAU championships, winning both in the 118 and 126-pounder divisions.

His over-all record is now 23-7 with 13 knockouts. He is undefeated in Army bouts.

Rufus Mitchell of Fort Lewis wrote his name in the Northwest amateur boxing record books this season when he won the "triple crown," and backed into another championship. And he did it competing in two weight divisions.

Mitchell started his campaign by taking the Tacoma Golden Gloves championship in the light-middleweight class, fattened up a bit and won the Portland and Seattle titles in the middleweight bracket. Rufus was unopposed in the Sixth Army 160-pound class and won that championship by default. With nobody to fight in the soldier sockfest, Mitchell moved over to Seattle and completed his "triple crown" conquest.

FORT SILL, OKLA. . . . ARMY CHAMP to turn pro . . . Dillard Jackson, reigning All-Army light-middleweight champion, has announced plans for a professional career after he returns home to his home in Los Angeles.

Jackson won his current title at Ft. Campbell, Ky., last March. In the Interservice championships the following week, he advanced to the finals before becoming a TKO victim of Marine Roosevelt Charles.

In three years of Army service here, Jackson won two 4th Army titles, two Lawton, Okla., Golden Gloves championships and three local belts, in addition to his All-Army crown.

San Diego . . . All Marine 147-pound wrestling champion Bud Belz emerged as the only service winner in the 10th annual NTC Invitational Wrestling Tournament here.

The flashy Marine grappler, undefeated in service competition, led the Camp Pendleton, Calif., squad into a two-way second place tie with Cal Poly for meet honors. Tagged as the powerhouse of Pacific Coast collegiate wrestling, Oregon State College fulfilled expectations and dominated the meet with three firsts, one second and a third place winner for 14 points. The Marines and Cal Poly wound up with ten points each.

In last March's All-Marine championships, Belz set a possible record in pinning his five opponents in a total elapsed time of 6:26 without a point being scored against him.

Spike Webb, the famed Navy boxing coach, will never be forgotten. But just to make certain, Slade Cutter, director of athletics at the Naval Academy, bought a memorial chair in the Academy's new football stadium in honor of Webb.

The meet here drew wrestling teams from such widely separated schools as the University of Washington and the University of Mexico City. There were a total of 231 entrants and 240 bouts wrestled during the two day tournament.

Other winners, in addition to Belz, were: 118-pound, Isho Horiye (San Diego State); 125-pound, Joe Neuschwander (Oregon State); 136-pounds, Tom Hall (Cal Poly); 160-pounds, Larry Fivian (Oregon State); 174-pounds, Wenzel Hubel (Inglewood, Calif., YMCA); 191-pounds, John Dustin (Oregon State); and heavyweight Bill Ismay (Arizona).

Ft. Campbell, Ky. . . Kentucky State Prison was the scene of six action-packed fights when the Ft. Campbell boxers defeated the prison pugilists, 4-2, in a team match.

Witnessed by more than 1,000 inmates of the penal institution, the bouts marked the second time that Campbell boxers have taken part in the prison's recreational program. The first fights were held one year ago.

Ft. Bliss, Texas . . . Jimmy Greenwood, heavyweight boxer here, has twice won his weight championship in the El Paso Golden Gloves without lifting a hand. He has been unopposed for the last two years.

Ft. Benning, Ga. . . . Private Punches punches punchers.

This tongue twister is quite true. In this case, the puncher is Donald Punches, a welterweight with Co. C here.

Besides boxing, Punches plays football and baseball. A man of no few talents, he also plays the piano, bass fiddle, and drums.

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BOXING CONFUSION CONTINUES; BLAME RESTS ON OFFICIALS; GOLDEN GLOVERS SET RECORD.

CONFUSION in the heavyweight division continues to put a damper on boxing's advancement. So long as the heavyweight champion remains inactive, the lag in interest will continue. This was evident when Floyd Patterson, the titleholder, exhibited his wares against Dusty Rhodes in Philadelphia in a four round exhibition at the Adelphia Club. It was hoped that with Patterson as an added attraction, the show, featured with a scheduled ten rounder between Jim Robinson of Philadelphia and Joey Shaw of New York, would do well at the gate. But even with the heavyweight king making an appearance, only 257 persons were on hand, scattered sparsely around the arena—a keen disappointment. The promoter was a heavy loser. Robinson put Shaw away in the second round, adding to the discomforture.

Despite the pressure brought by the National Boxing Association, the New York Commission, the World Championship Committee and friends of Cus D'Amato who manages the champion, Cus remains steadfastly opposed to pitting Floyd against any of the top ranking heavyweights. Not that Patterson needs fear any of them, for in my opinion he can take the measure of any heavyweight chosen to oppose him, but because of the feud D'Amato is carrying on with Jim Norris, President of the International Boxing Club.

The public is not interested in this affair. The fight fans are interested only in the champion and for the good of the game, D'Amato should accept either the winner of the Machen-Folley bout or Willie Pastrano—the trio who stand out in the division as best challengers. The most colorful is Roy Harris but he is at present unavailable.

FLOYD'S EXHIBITIONS RECALL THOSE OF MAX SCHMELING

The longer D'Amato keeps Patterson locked up, the longer it will take to bring boxing back to where it belongs. A few years ago Max Schmeling went on a tour of the middle west with Billy Carney who had arranged exhibitions for the German. He was guaranteed $1,000 for each appearance but after the first three promoters had dropped plenty because of a sparse attendance, Billy was forced to call off the tour.

None of the other promoters cared to risk the losses. Prior to that tour, Billy and his partner, Joe Jacobs took Max to Tennessee, California, Kansas and Nebraska where they booked Schmeling at a guarantee and in Memphis only 179 persons paid to see the champ. That was an all-time low for a heavyweight and now it seems that Patterson is likely to set a new record based on the Adelphia appearance.

Though D'Amato is going to have Floyd in exhibitions in Europe, they won't aid his case any. His popularity has been dimmed by Floyd's failure to carry on against top talent or at least keep busy and for the sake of the sport in which he is a vital part, let's hope that D'Amato will cease his one-sided war and accept an outdoor fight for Patterson

Jack Dempsey (left) and Al Neff who are helping the promotion of the second International Diamond Belt Amateur Tournament which this year will be staged in August in Mexico. Prof. Ramon G. Velazquez will be the director. Many countries have signified their intention of entering boxers. Cuba has accepted the tourney for 1959.

with an outstanding contender with any promoter he selects.

So far as the public is concerned, he can take the fight to any city of his choice and select a promoter in whom he has faith, like Jack Hurley, who proved in Seattle that an independent promoter can make a go of a heavyweight title fight. Though the I.B.C. has a strangle hold on television, it's a cinch that if D'Amato signed with an independent promoter he could arrange a lucrative deal for TV for such a contest. Cus doesn't have to depend on Jim Norris.

Hence why continue to keep the heavyweight division in a state of confusion? Let's have some action—the quicker the better.

The ten ranking heavyweights other than Roy Harris who will soon be released from the Army, are keeping busy in the hopes D'Amato will change his mind. The division is showing some signs of life but a title defense will do more for all of boxing than all the contests among the contenders.

HENRY LAMAR TAKES ISSUE WITH "THE EDITOR"

In a message to "The Ring," Henry Lamar, Chairman of the Massachusetts State Athletic Commission takes issue with me for declaring that his Commission acted contrary to the best interests of the National Boxing Association and boxing in general by declaring the De Marco-Akins bout as a world welterweight title match. In part he writes:

"I read the March issue from cover to cover and was somewhat startled by your column headed, Bay State Commission takes weird view."

Earlier, with interest, I read the Editor's note following the article by Cus D'Amato which read, "In the Best Interests of Boxing."

D'Amato made a certain charge to which exception had been taken by you. It was in the footnote:

"D'Amato certainly did not take the trouble to investigate before making the charge."

The same line might well be added to the footnote to your column in regard to the charges "The Ring" makes in condemnation of Massachusetts and Lamar.

"I do not know the source of information upon which your charges or opinions are based, but I'm sure none of that information came from the offices of our Commission. I'm sure the Massachusetts Commission was never contacted by you. I am likewise sure that you were given a half truth from whatever source of information you used.

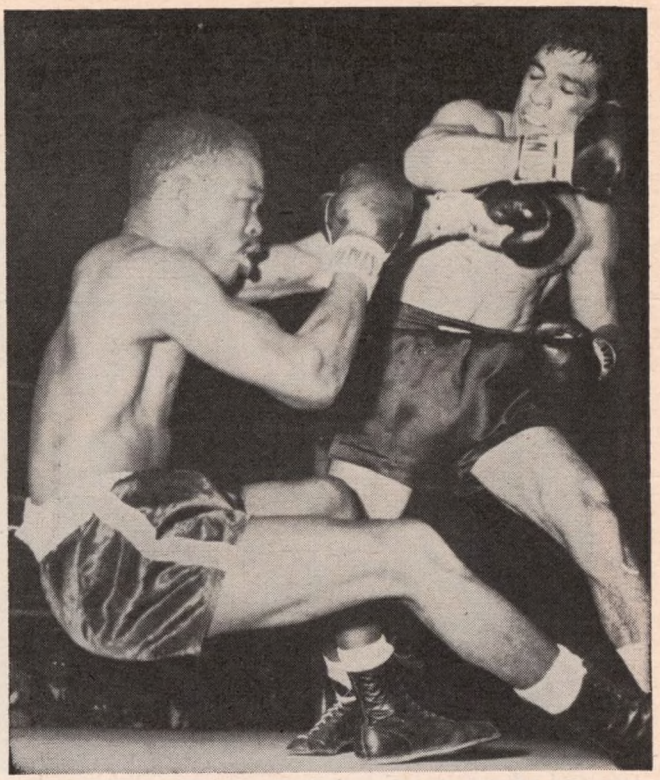
"Massachusetts did not object to any action of the NBA Executive Committee nor did it plead States Rights. Everything we did was in accord with the NBA Executive Committee Resolutions in regard to naming a champion to succeed Basilio."

That being so, I cannot reconcile the action of the Massachusetts Commission in view of the fact that it was a member of the NBA at the time and the NBA had appointed Tony Petronella of Rhode Island its official representative on the World Championship Committee. Since the records of the Committee show that Tony had voted with the others—unanimous consent—for the welterweight elimination tournament, Petronella should either be withdrawn from the Committee or his vote should have been upheld by Henry Lamar and his Commission. It was his consent, his vote upon which my editorial was based.

That was the gist of my editorial and I still stand by it. Furthermore, if I was in error, how come that President Jackson of the NBA issued his statement to the press agreeing to the elimination following the draw made by the World Championship Committee? If Henry Lamar's stand is a correct one, the NBA certainly didn't back him in that stand no more than did "The Ring."

If Tony Petronella represents the NBA, then his vote on the World Championship Committee must be accepted by all members of the NBA which organization appointed him to that body.

Double action is like double-talk—it leads nowhere.



Dulio Loi, European and Italian lightweight king, adds another victory to his list. Here he is shown battering Wallace Bud Smith of Cincinnati to the canvas. He halted the American in the ninth round and now the European Boxing Federation insists that the World Championship Committee recognize him as the logical challenger for Joey' Brown's title.

ANOTHER FRACAS IN THE N.B.A., NOW BROWN IS THE TARGET

The NBA is getting itself into plenty of hot water these days. First came the tilt with Julius Helfand and the World Championship Committee. Then the fracas with Henry Lamar and the Massachusetts State Athletic Commission, both affairs focused around the welterweight elimination tournament ordered by the World Committee. And now comes one with the Louisiana State Athletic Commission in-re the lightweight championship title defense.

The NBA has insisted that Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., be recognized as the next opponent of Joey Brown, though Dulio Loi of Italy has been the top ranked contender for many months. The Louisiana State Commission accepts Dupas as a worthy contender for a title bout and correctly so. Lou Viscusi wants the fight in Houston but the Texas commission backs the NBA president who has ordered Brown to defend against Lane or have his title taken from him. The NBA, ignoring the demand of the Italian Federation to give due consideration to its champion, Loi, says it will declare the title vacant if Brown fights Dupas. The fact that Dupas is ranked Number Three in world ratings certainly entitles him to a shot at the crown, especially in view of the acceptance of Wallace Bud Smith's choice of Brown as his challenger in August, 1956, when Brown wasn't among the top ten yet got the chance to win the title via a decision in 15 rounds.

Consistency should be the practice of all commissions. Loi, Lane, Dupas and the British Empire champion, Willie Toweel, each is a suitable challenger for world honors. The present rumpus is uncalled for. If a firm stand for any one man is to be taken, then it should be in favor of the Italian

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The Kuramae Kokugikan Hall at Tokyo, Japan, scene of the Sumo Tournament as it looked on opening day with banners flying.

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

AFTER a slight let down in interest and gate receipts wrestling has once again gone into high gear and is gaining in popularity with sport fans not only in the U.S. but all over the globe. One reason for this interest is the number of new faces that have been brought into the game.

This corner has been campaigning for a broader exchange of the stars as well as seeding the sport with new faces. More and more promoters are seeing the light and are gaining the fruits of their foresight.

Paul Anderson, Olympic strong-man champ, who recently turned to the pro ranks on the Pacific Coast is wowing the fans. . . . Note from Editor Tom Deugau of Western Wrestling Magazine that the title of his publication is being changed to Cross Canada Wrestling. . . . Those interested can subscribe by sending $2.85 to 12233-67 St., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Screwball acts still the rage with mat fans . . . latest was the cutting of Danno McDonald's arm and back . . . 174 stitches were required to close the cuts . . . some fun! A real cut-up.

Promoter in Asheville, N. C., is none other than Chief Sounooke, a top hand on the mat during the 1930's and up through the middle 1940's.

Word reaches us from Gene Gordon of the death of Gordon McKinley, who was stricken with a heart attack during a bout with Len Montana at Youngstown, Ohio.

In addition to Alex Karras, former Iowa U All-American footballer, wrestling has lured Frank Fuller, of the Los Angeles professional football team. For Fuller this will not be his first stint as a grappler . . . he used to groan in Kentucky under the name of the "Kentucky Colonel" . . . new name will be "The Battering Ram."

Lou Thesz, former NWA world heavyweight champ is back in the U.S. after a tour with his wife and son of Europe. . . . He is currently showing his wares in California rings where the fans welcomed him back. . . . Lou is one of the most travelled of all the wrestling fraternity and makes friends at every turn.

Wrestling came to life with a vengeance at New York City's Madison Square Garden with 18,156 fans paying $54,169.37 to witness the evening's festivities.

As has become the habit in recent Garden shows the tag team contest is the crowd baiting match that comes to a boil with frazzeled tempers. Antonino Rocca and Miguel Perez, team one, took the first fall from the pair of Hans Schmidt and Dr. Jerry Graham on a disqualification in 14:49.

Announcer Al Mitchell had barely finished venting his news of the fall into the PA when Schmidt disliking the decision began to take it out on Mitchell's midsection. Needless to say the remainder of the show picked up their cue's and bedlam began. It was halted as quickly as it started when Deputy Commissioner Joe Tepper stepped into the ring. In a similar situation last fall Rocca was fined $1000 and this may have had something to do with the speed with which the mayhem was halted before anyone could be hurt.

Rocca went to work and using his drop kick blasted Schmidt to the canvas for the second fall and match in 3:37.

In prelims: Rick Starr, 220, New York, pinned Ludwig von Krupp, 230, Germany (7:38); Edouard Carpentier, 220, Paris, pinned John Tolos, 240, Canada (10:01); Bolo Hakawa, 212, Hawaii, defeated Sheik of Araby, 204 (11:30); Pat O'Connor, 232, New Zealand, and Karl von Hess, 220, Germany, drew; Al Costello, 232, Australia, whipped Kit Fox, 220, Oklahoma (13:11); Roy Hefferman, 234, Australia, and Chief Big Heart, 230, Oklahoma, drew; Sid Youngelman, 252, Brooklyn, trimmed Les Longevin, 230, Montreal (10:38), and Pepe Chicharro, 260, Spain, defeated Larry Mouquin, 220, Montreal.

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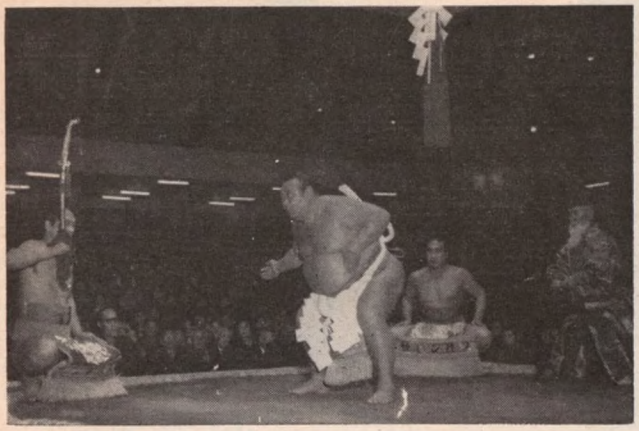

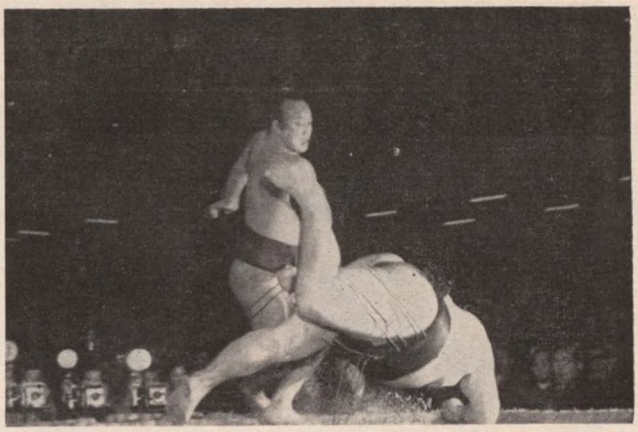

Tokyo, Japan. Sumo tournament opens. Left above: Grand champion Kagamisato, 5'9" tall and weighing 365 pounds makes his opening ceremony. Right above: The battle is on and Grand champion Kagamisato thrown by the lighter Oohikari, who toes the toledoes at a mere 200 pounds. Sumo is one of Japan's favorite sports.

RING POPULARITY RATING

MEN

1. Dick Hutton (Champ)
2. Pepper Gomez
3. Eduardo Carpentier
4. Antonio Rocca and Miguel Perez (Team)
5. Buddy Rosen
6. Johnny Valentine
7. Pat O'Connor
8. Wilbur Snyder
9. Roy McClarity
10. Mark and Don Lewin (team)

WOMEN

1. Judy Grable
2. June Byers (Champ)
3. Terry Majors
4. Princess Moolah (Champ)
5. Nell Stewart
6. Alma Mills
7. Tona Tomah
8. Rita Cortez
9. Penny Banner
10. Judy Glover

PRINCESS TONA TAMAH

By Bob Utter

Billy Wolfe predicts that the name Princess Tona Tomah within a period of three years will be known from coast to coast and on retiring will go down in wrestling history as one of matdom's all time female stars.

This 22 year old full-blooded Chippewa Indian lass was born on the White Earth Indian Reservation in Northern Minnesota.

Her personal beauty is realized whether in wrestling togs or street clothes. She possesses definite Indian features. Straight black hair, deep brown eyes and a beautiful copper complexion and an abundance of curves.

In wrestling for less than a year, the Princess likes the clean scientific style of wrestling but can handle her own with any ruffian in the cauliflower trade.

Her popularity and drawing power was realized recently by Columbus, Ohio, promoter Al Haft when he headlined the little Princess for three consecutive shows. Her mat knowledge was gained through special tutoring by Buddy Rogers and Georgeous Billy Darnell.

Weighing 140 pounds and standing six inches over the five-foot mark, Tona speaks the Indian language fluently and can do all of the Indian Ceremonial dances. Her mat wardrobe is one of the most beautiful.

Tona's hobbies are hunting and boating. She is also an excellent swimmer. Her select foods are lamb chops and salads.

THE JIMMIE AULT STORY

By Phyllis Hoffman

As wrestling fans know, Ohio has given many big name wrestlers to the mat world. Many more have since located themselves in the Buckeye state. Once again this state has turned the spotlight on a very promising young wrestler. His name is JIMMIE AULT, and he hails from Columbus,

Irish Mike Clancy, claimant to the world junior heavyweight crown, who stands 5' 10" tall and weighs 215 pounds. He is dark haired with blue eyes and makes use of such holds as the Irish Whip, Full Nelson, Atomic Drop, as well as the basic holds. He has been dubbed "Mr. Irish".

A former Canadian football player with the Hamilton Tiger Cats and now a grappler of renown, "Abe" Zvonkin, left, being interviewed by Barry Lloyd Penhale, before a North Bay, Canada TV match.

An interesting shot. Look closely and you'll see five legs. The legs belong to Dennis Deris, head visible, of East Denver, Colorado, High school, who pinned Warren Bradley of South Denver High in a 112 pound match. The fifth leg belongs to the referee.

Jack Laskin of Chicago, who has been wrestling in South Africa since November 1957 under the sobriquet of "Abe Levinsky". A real toughy Laskin has been a favorite in Johannesburg. He will leave shortly for Greece, the Continent, Great Britain and then home to the U. S.

Ohio. JIMMIE like many others turned to wrestling after a short career in boxing, in which he suffered his right hand to be broken twice. The wrestling world may consider these "lucky breaks."

JIMMIE is twenty-three years old. He has curly black hair and green eyes; he is five foot, nine inches and weighs two hundred and fifteen pounds. JIMMIE has recently been working for one of the top wrestling promoters Mr. Al Haft of Columbus. AULT says the toughest wrestlers he has faced so far are Jack "The Neck" Vanskey and Mike McGee. JIMMIE'S favorite wrestler is George Bolas. His favorite foods are spaghetti and salads; and his favorite wrestling hold a flying headlock.

Ault's hobby is teaching young boxers. He would very much like to be a wrestling promoter after his wrestling days are over.

So you see Ohio has done it again. Watch for that Buckeye spotlight; it will be shining right on one of the future mat stars, JIMMIE AULT.

Kangaroo Kennedy of Australia, who at 30 years of age is an established favorite in his homeland as well as in Great Britain, Canada and parts of the United States. He is a 220 pounder and stands 5' 11" in his bare feet.

WRESTLING
By Ed Briggs

Paul Anderson, 350 pound 1956 Olympic Weightlifting champion, made his debut as a professional wrestler in San Francisco in late January. Big Paul, a powerful man, is managed and trained by veteran Howard (The Hangman) Cantonwine, a main eventer in his own right 20 years ago. A native of Toccoa, Ga., Paul looms as a big threat to many top notch wrestlers in this country because of his amazing strength and ability to withstand brutal unorthodox tactics. Flying tackles don't bother the strongman at all and he is learning more every day under the watchful eye of the cagey Cantonwine. He recently took highly rated Sky High Lee of Texas in two straight falls in the Fresno Memorial Auditorium in a match promoted by fast-rising promoter Al Dermer. Fresno is in central California and is rapidly becoming a top spot for the grunt and groan fraternity.

Ex-Pacific Coast heavyweight king Dean Detton, 49, took his life by hanging himself in the rear of his bar in Hayward, California, south of San Francisco on Feb. 23. Remembered as one on the top drawing cards in west coast history, popular Dean is greatly missed by those who were near him, and by the millions of wrestling fans throughout the world who thrilled and marveled at his amazing mat ability. Lack of business is the only reason relatives could give for his suicide.

His bouts with Pat Fraley, King Kong Ted Cox, Billy Hansen, Chief Little Wolf, Dutch Heffner, and Frank Sexton are still remembered today by veteran wrestling fans in California. Detton captured the Pacific Coast heavyweight belt on several occasions and was a true champion respected and honored by all.

Those two rough Canucks, Mike and Ben Sharpe, have departed northern California mat wars to campaign in Canada. The Hamilton, Ontario bad boys, are a precision team and the best team as far as teamwork and ability is concerned. They are wrestling out of Montreal . . . Irish Pat Fraley, 245 pound Burbank, Calif., veteran, is almost a legend in wrestling. His feats of strength and colorful wrestling style, mark him as one of the best remembered of the wrestlers of 20 years ago. Still active today and a definite threat to Dick Hutton's NWA World heavyweight championship, likeable Pat is well respected by fellow grapplers. Fraley recently was re-united with ex-world heavyweight king Ali Baba when the two attended the 25th anniversary of Young Corbett's winning the world welterweight championship at Fresno, Calif, recently. Ali Baba is retired from active competition and is relaxing at his ranch in Dinuba, California.

Art Michalik, still heading for main event recognition in California, continues showing better with each bout. Agile Art is carving a name for himself in the pro game. . . Ronnie Etchison, the "Missouri Fireball," who gained fame after winning the Pacific Coast heavyweight title a few years ago, is hoping to return to west coast rings in June. Since departing from California in May, 1957, Etchison has campaigned in Canada, Eastern rings, and in the midwest. . . . Ilio DiPaolo, one of the most classy young heavyweights in action in the USA, has turned villain, much to the dis-

may of his many followers. DiPaolo is no amateur at dishing out the rough stuff and he really works his unfortunate opponents over. . . . Veteran Juan (Jack) Humberto has returned to coastal wars after a lengthy tour which took him to the Dixie area, Texas, Arizona, New Mexico, and the San Francisco territory, his home region. A staunch believer in body conditioning, Humberto works out for 30 minutes before every match. . . Hans Hermann, the goose-stepping Teuton Titan from Hanover, Germany via Chicago, is the number one villain on the coast.

Wrestling fan Pete Cox of Liverpool, Lanc., England, writes that Lou Thesz put the "whammy" on Jack Pye in the Liverpool Stadium. Others there were Rito Romero, ex-Texas Junior heavyweight champion, and Jack Bence. . . Ramon Torres is still the Pacific Coast Champion. The popular Mexican idol is continually defending his championship and will go down in the books as one of the greatest coast titlists. . . Ramon's two brothers, Enrique and Al, are showing their wares in Florida for promoter Cowboy Luttral, and are expected to show in Texas before summer.

Newest coast team duo is Stan Kowalski and Art Neilsen. The twosome teamed in several states the past few years, and from all reports are a great team. This marks Neilsen's first coastal jaunt . . . Lord James Blears is back in the midst of California mat wars after a tour of Australia, New Zealand, and Hawaii. Blears faired well and met NWA Champion (at that time) Lou Thesz in a series of bouts in New Zealand plus Hawaii.

Nickie Bockwinkle, clean-cut collegiate sensation and ex-Oklahoma University grid star, made a big hit with coast fans when he made his northern California debut in Fresno. Nickie is the son of veteran matster Warren Bockwinkle. Bock (the younger), is in the service stationed at Ford Ord, Calif., and is wrestling in his off-hours. He looks VERY GOOD. . . Wrestlers Roy Shire, Jerry Graham, Jesse James, and Chief Big Heart were the only matmen who braved the zero weather and knee deep snow to make appearances in Baltimore, Md. This writers address is 4510 N. Arthur, Fresno 5, Calif., U.S.A.

WRESTLING IN THE SOUTHWEST
By Peg Colwell

The long to be remembered World's Heavyweight Title match between the present champion, Dick Hutton, and the colorful Juan Garcia from Monterrey, Mexico, took place in Albuquerque's Civic Auditorium. Hutton may have had a 25 pound weight advantage but his hands were full with the capable, elusive Garcia. From the sound of the bell, over 5000 fans thrilled to the hard, fast wrestling displayed by both

Princess Tona Tomah is a 22 year old Chippewa Indian lass from Minnesota. An all around athlete, the Princess is a well stacked 140 pounder standing six inches over the 5' mark.

boys in a rough, tough bout.

Hutton won the first fall in 22 minutes with his abdominal stretch. Not to be outdone, 13 minutes later Garcia had the second fall via the same hold. As time was running out, the worried Hutton resorted to a bruising body attack on Juan and gained the final and deciding fall, again with the abdominal stretch.

Danny (Bulldog) Plechas also had his share of trouble trying to cope with the up and comin' Texan, Bob Elliott the same night. Plechas gained only one fall over the youthful Elliott. Time ran out before another fall could be accomplished.

Titles seem to be the order of the day in the Southwest. "Rip" Rogers and Jumbo Jim Wright called on everything in and out of the book to try to take the North American Tag Team title from Danny Plechas and Miguel Lopez. After losing the first fall, the titlists came roaring back to win the last two falls and keep their title.

Promoter Mike London has given out the word and "Dirty" Don Evans is ready to storm Albuquerque in hot pursuit of Plechas' Rocky Mountain title. Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers, is also demanding a crack at the title. Dick "The Bruiser" is also asking to come in the area. He may be after a match with Plechas . . . or maybe just wanting revenge . . . Bob Elliott trounced him in Denver not too long ago. . .

Suni War Cloud, who started wrestling under the late Jim Thorpe, is gaining popularity with his fast and colorful wrestling.

In answer to the many inquiries still coming in about Enrique Torres, who was hospitalized in Albuquerque for several days with a badly infected knee, and was out of action several weeks . . . Enrique has completely recovered. . . . Al Szasz (husband of Ada Ash) is very much ALIVE . . . Rumor had it to the contrary. He was wrestling in this area at the time of his reported death and is now on his way to the Pacific Northwest . . . Southwestern fans will be interested to know that Jerry Woods has resumed his mat appearances . . . A broken arm kept him out of action a few weeks. . .

Dallas Texas . . . 'Irish' Danny McShane and brother Casey, relieved Ricky Romero and Jesus Cardenas of their Texas Tag Team title . . . Denver, Colo. Eduardo Carpentier was awarded the match over Don Leo Johnathan . . . there is still a dispute over the decision . . . Bob Elliott won over Leggs Longevin . . . Amarillo, Tex. . . . Leo Garibaldi, son of the famous Gino Garibaldi is heading this way . . .

Injuries are taking their toll. Danny (Bulldog) Plechas was slammed into a ringpost by "Rip" Rogers, who jumped off the ropes and applied a body press on the dazed Bulldog. Plechas is soon to return from Rochester, Minn.; where he went for more extensive examination of his throat injury, the result of hitting the post. Latest word is that he will be back very shortly to meet Rogers in a Death Match.

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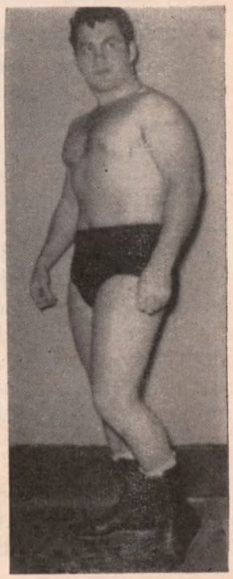


Columbus, Ohio has another promising youngster in Jimmy Ault, 215 pounds built on a 5' 9" frame. A former boxer, he faces a bright future on the mat.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

A BRIEF item in a recent Mobile, Ala., daily reported the passing of a Benjamin Lewis, 72, an ex-fighter who used the ring alias "Bob Scanlon" and did quite a bit of fisticuffing in Europe during the early decades of this century.

Scanlon, who crossed the Atlantic as a member of heavyweight Sam McVey's entourage, never attained headline status, and you're not likely to find his career listed in any important boxing record book, but he did contribute one interesting if highly irregular chapter to ring history. It was a wild and wooly affair with another American, Harry Lewis, at the Salle Wagram in Paris in 1910.

This was in the days when fist-fighting was just beginning to popularize itself with the French. Americans were finding it lucrative to journey over yonder and help educate the natives in the attractions of *la boxe*. Tommy Burns, Jack Johnson, Willie Lewis, Harry Lewis, Jim Stewart, Honey Mellody, Leo Houck, Dixie Kid, Joe Jeannette, Sam McVey, Billy Papke, Frank Klaus and Jeff Smith were only some of the many prominent Yanks who displayed their assorted wares in French rings in that lively pre-World War I era.

At the time of the Scanlon incident, there was keen rivalry between the pair of Lewises, Jewish Harry of Philadelphia and Irish Willie of New York. Both top-rated welterweights, they'd fought twice on even terms in American rings, then carried their feud to Paris, where they still were unable to settle their differences in two more meetings.

On an earlier jaunt to Paris, Willie had taken on and knocked out three opponents in one night. Harry felt that anything Willie could do, he could do as well. He decided to try the same stunt.

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER.

Lewis had no difficulty with his first two opponents, a pair of hapless Britishers, Bert Roper of Plymouth and Bob Davis of Newcastle. Harry required less than one round to demolish Roper and part of two rounds to dispose of Davis. Scanlon was the third opponent.

It didn't take the Alabaman long to realize he didn't have much of a chance against Lewis in legitimate competition. In less than a minute he had been jolted by several of Lewis' left hooks, then dumped on his panties by a short but emphatic right.

Scanlon decided that if he couldn't compete with Lewis under the Marquis of Queensberry's rules, he might fare better if he made up his own code and turned the thing into a back-alley brawl.

The affair didn't last long, but it was something to remember.

By the middle of the second round, Scanlon had wrestled Lewis to the canvas for the third time. He knelt on Harry, jabbed thumbs into his eyes and tried to strangle him.

Al Lippe, Lewis' manager, scrambled into the ring and belted Scanlon over the head with a water bottle.

McVey, working in Scanlon's corner, got into the act by punching Lippe in the face.

The crowd was in an uproar and the police were needed to quell what threatened to be a full-sized riot.

When the tumult and the shouting died, Lewis was credited with winning on Scanlon's disqualification.

Like so many American's who journeyed to Europe in those days, Scanlon liked Paris so well he remained there when McVey returned to America. He served with French forces in both World Wars. In the first he was wounded at Verdun; in the second he was captured by the Nazis when the French defense collapsed. Upon his release in 1946 he returned home to his native Mobile after being away 39 years.

CONCERNING SEATTLE.

Writes Inigo Lucchesi, who has been doing such a fine job with boxing promotions in Seattle and Tacoma:

"Many thanks for your greatly appreciated remarks about my efforts to develop talent out this way. Yes, this is lively boxing territory, but, like so many other once-active fight centers throughout the nation, our main problem right now is a shortage in popular local talent. Currently our only major attraction is heavyweight Pat McMurtry, but I've been lucky so far in my efforts to encourage and develop promising youngsters. Three or four of them look as though they'll be ready for topline opposition shortly.

"It is unfortunate that Seattle hasn't a larger indoor arena available for big-time boxing. The capacity of the Civic Auditorium is only 5,300. The recent Besmanoff-McMurtry bout was a complete sellout, and we had to turn away nearly 3,000 fans. Besmanoff's victory was a sensation, and there's a terrific demand for a rematch. If we can hold off until summer, there's no saying what we'll draw with the return bout in the baseball park.

"The Seattle-Tacoma area long has been one of the nation's liveliest fight districts. Through the years it has produced a steady parade of popular locals—native or adopted—who've become headliners. A couple of them, Freddie Steele and Al Hostak, went on to become world middleweight champions. To list only some of the many other good ones, there have been Frank Farmer, Eddie (K.O.) Roberts, Bud Ridley, Bobby Harper, Doc Snell, Leo Lomski and Harry (Kid) Matthews. And let us not forget Pete Rademacher from the Yakima Valley, whose fantastic affair with Floyd Patterson last year drew $242,030.

"Seattle is really bustling with athletic activity. Not only is boxing popular, but an application has been made for a team in the National Football League and a campaign is under way for a major league baseball franchise a few years hence.

"Behind it all is the encouraging support of Washington

State's progressive young governor, Al Rosselini, a grand guy and an enthusiastic sports fan."

AROUND THE RING.

Although he's not supposed to be one of the managerial "Favored Few, "Al Lang is doing all right for himself with International Boxing Club TV dates. Twice in recent weeks he has grabbed both Wednesday and Friday spots for his two fighters, Franz Szuzina (with Bobby Boyd and Joey Giardello in Syracuse) and Gale Kerwin (with Johnny Busso and Stefan Redl in Madison Square Garden.)

Boxing Hall-of-Famer Johnny Dundee, now 64, is up and about again after a rugged siege with pneumonia in an East Orange, N. J., hospital.

Kay Sheridan, who handled some publicity jobs for Jack Dempsey's restaurant, sends along word that she has opened her own public relations office at 117 West 70th Street.

A recent "new talent" show staged by Lew Wallach, in which four locals tangled with a quartet of importations, was the first fight card staged in St. Louis in nearly two years. The turnout was so encouraging that Wallach plans to continue operations on a bi-monthly basis.

Sammy Aaronson is back in the sock market as co-manager of heavyweight Louis Jones, recently discharged from the Army. Jones, a native of Rockford, Ill., boasts a two-round knockout of Pete Rademacher, scored in a Georgia amateur tourney not long before Pete went to Australia for the 1956 Olympiad.

There is talk that a wealthy real estate and hotel syndicate on the popular British West Indian island resort of Jamaica may offer attractive terms for Archie Moore to defend his light-heavyweight laurels against Yolande Pompey. Moore whipped Pompey in London a couple of years ago but Yolande is confident there'd be a different story to tell if he could get Ancient Archie into the ring with him again.

TWO OLD-TIMERS PASS.

One of the oldest active members of the local sock market, Tony (Lento) Kelly was 80 when he died recently.

A native of the Mulberry Bend section of the Lower East Side, Tony was a prominent figure in Coney Island cabaret activities before he became identified with boxing. It was Tony's "College Inn" that Jimmy Durante, a piano player, and Irving Berlin, a singing waiter, began their spectacular rises to fame.

Just when Kelly became interested in boxing, we wouldn't know, but our first recollection of him in the trade was when he became associated with Joe Wagner toward the close of that rugged bantam's career during the Frawley law era.

When the Walker law brought pro boxing back to New York in 1920, after an absence of three years, Kelly drifted away from the cabaret business and became more active in the fight industry. Two of his better known early charges were flyweight Buck Josephs and 130-pounder Tony Palmer. Later he took over Willie Harmon, who became a top-ranking welterweight during the mid-'20s. In more recent years, Kelly was co-manager of Eddie Compo, stylish New Haven featherweight, whose bid for the world title in 1949 was turned back by Willie Pep in Waterbury.

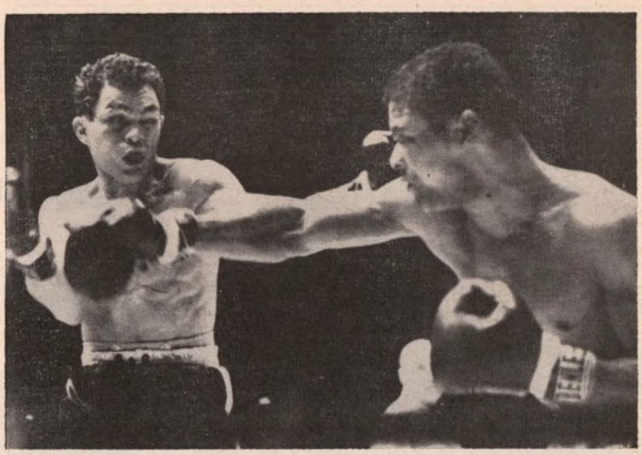
Another old-timer to have the final count tolled over him in recent weeks was Jackie (Young) Cohen, clever English featherweight who domiciled himself in Brooklyn after his ring career ended. Cohen was 64 when he died.

Cohen was a brother of Johnny Sharpe, of London, an ex-fighter himself, now a manager and British correspondent for The Ring.

Cohen, out of the Aldgate district of London, was only 15 when he began battling in 1909, but he was an exceptionally gifted youngster and quickly established himself as a popular attraction at the various clubs in the British capital. Despite his youth, he was a main-eventer within a year.

Cohen came to the United States in 1911 and was good enough to step along on even terms with the likes of Abe Attell, Johnny Dundee, Joe Shugrue, Leo Johnson, Abe (Young) Brown and Jimmy Walsh.

In the ten years he campaigned in American rings, Cohen estimated that he fought nearly 250 bouts, most of them in and around New York. He liked it so well here that he became a permanent resident of Brooklyn and a successful taxicab operator there when he finished with the ring.



Lightweight Carlos Ortiz (left) made it 26 bouts without defeat by edging his way to close decision over Tommy Tibbs in fast-moving ten in Madison Square Garden.

THESE AND THOSE.

On February 24, in Buffalo, Neal Rivers flattened Chebo Hernandez in the second round. Nine nights later (March 5), out in Albuquerque, he dumped Chebo's brother, Ramon, in the third. We understand there are nine other male members of the prolific Hernandez clan. If there are any middleweights in the lot, it behooves them to keep Rivers away from their door. (Tsk, tsk, tsk).

A recent visitor in town was "Hutch" Hutchinson, veteran California promoter, manager and publicist, who was on a coast-to-coast ballyhoo junket for the Eddie Machen-Zora Folley heavyweight fracas in San Francisco. The years have done well by Hutch. Closing in on the 70 mark, he has all the pep and enthusiasm he toted around when we first met him, back in the mid-'20s, when he was in New York with Jack Silver, then one of California's top lightweights.

Whether he wins, loses or draws in his European title match with Mario D'Agata in Milan in April, British Empire bantam champion Peter Keenan plans a holiday jaunt with his wife to the United States in May, and while here he wouldn't be averse to combining business with pleasure and taking a fight or two. George Parnassus, Los Angeles promoter, is interested in using the Scot with either Raul (Raton) Macias or the new Mexican sensation Jose (Toluco) Lopez.

THE month's results:

A questionable knockdown represented the slim margin by which Gale Kerwin, 142¾, transplanted Canadian now operating out of Valley Stream, L. I., decisioned Stefan Redl, 145½, Passaic, N. J., in a rough, fast-punching ten in Madison Square Garden. The disputed knockdown happened in the sixth round when Redl, rushing in, was caught off-balance by a short right. The Hungarian-born German skidded to his glove tips but bounced up immediately. Referee Larry Napp ruled it a knockdown, however, and Redl was forced to take the mandatory eight-count. That little incident cost Stefan the decision, or, at least, a draw. At the finish there was so little to choose between the youthful rivals that the referee's 5-4-1 vote for Kerwin decided the issue. The judges disagreed, Frank Forbes tabbing for Kerwin and Artie Aidala for Redl. It was Stefan's first appearance as a Garden headliner and his first defeat in 18 starts in American rings. It was an evenly-matched affair all the way, Kerwin's shiftier boxing and sharper punching offsetting Redl's free-swinging aggressiveness and heavier hitting. Both boys were warned at times for rough tactics. In the semi-final six, Jimmy Archer's unbeaten younger brother, Joe, 153, Bronx, posted his 13th pro victory by whipping Eddie Prince, 149, Poughkeepsie. Mickey Spataro, 137½, Brooklyn, was too experienced for Joe Parks, 136, Omaha, Neb., in another six. A pair of Kellys battled it out in one of the fours, Tommy, 124, West Side, winning from Jackie, 124¼, Long Island City. In other fours, Joe Lissy, 155, Yorkville, drew with Jay Anderson, 159½, Philadelphia, and Cortez Stewart, 184, Philadelphia, whipped George Kartalian, 179, Syracuse, N. Y.

▶ In running off his 14th win as a pro, unbeaten Genorace (Gene-Ace) Armstrong, 158½, Elizabeth, N. J., outsped the younger but more experienced Charley Joseph, 156, New Orleans, in a lively ten at St. Nicholas Arena. Although Joseph, fighting since 1951, had packed in 51 bouts, many of them with top-rated opposition, this was his first appearance in New York. He displayed a fast left hand and plenty of ring savvy, but seemed over-eager to make a success of his local debut and his moments of recklessness proved his undoing. Armstrong, boxing smartly throughout, picked his openings well and flurried with both hands at just the right times, catching Joseph off-balance and outpunching him in lively exchanges. Armstrong's younger brother, Eddie, wasn't quite so fortunate in a preliminary six. Scaling 139 to his opponent's 136, the lesser half of the Armstrong pair was decisively beaten by fast-punching Marvin McFarland of Philadelphia. In the semi-final six, Eddie Jordan, 145½, Brooklyn, hit too often for Vic Compos, 140½, East Side. Steve Proko, 147, West Side, edged out Joey Versace, 146, Newburgh, in the opening four.

▶ The first heavyweight main event in Madison Square Garden in more than a year was an all-Latin-American affair. Alex Miteff, 205, Argentina, hustling his way to a split decision over the veteran Nino Valdes, 209½, Cuba, in a bruising, bloody and at times scrambling ten. Miteff fought from the second round on with a badly gashed nose, which bled profusely throughout and brought Dr. Alex Schiff scurrying into the ring for frequent checks. The battle started in sizzling style, the rivals trying for an early knockout, but they couldn't maintain the pace. As they tired, the affair produced more holding and mauling than clean punching. Valdes was the better boxer and sharper puncher, but the younger Miteff, with his free-swinging aggressiveness, forced the action most of the way and usually outfought the veteran in the exchanges. The verdict was divided, Judge Nick Gamboli tabbing for Valdes, but the other judge, Harold Barnes, and Referee Teddy Martin outvoted him by tallying for Miteff. Jimmy Peters, 151½, Washington, D. C., scored a knockdown in the third while beating George Chimenti, 157, Omaha, Neb., in the semi-final eight. Peter Schmidt, 146, Yorkville, was a decisive winner over Jimmy Moulton, 145¼, Washington Heights, in another eight. In fours, Leroy Tucker, 144, Bronx, outpointed a borough rival, Tito Cebelero, 149, and Harvey Charles, 129½, Brooklyn, won from Tommy Smith, 125½, Harlem.

▶ The return battle between Jimmy Archer, 149¼, Bronx, and Danny Russo, 151, Brooklyn, at St. Nicholas Arena resulted in another win for Archer, this time by a technical kayo when ugly gashes around Russo's eyes prompted Referee Petey Scalzo to call a halt at 2:51 of the seventh. It was an exciting brawl while it lasted, with the aggressive Archer, piling up a big early lead but Russo improving as the bout progressed. Danny was winning the seventh round when Scalzo

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

ART ARAGON'S manager, Paul Caruso, is an attorney. You can wager all the Oolong in Hong Kong that here is one guy who will earn his 33⅓ percent.

To quote Morton Moss, in the L.A. EXAMINER, who writes an entertaining column on the subject: Quote:

"I can't think of a client who would give a lawyer a greater opportunity to practice law in so many diversified fields," Caruso marveled.

He started to tick off the various ways in which Arthur's embroilments have kept the Caruso body bouncing from court to court, brief to brief, and conference to conference.

▶ Scoring procedure of boxing bouts comes up for more criticism. And why not? We had a perfectly good system in California when the 11-point, or Australian method, was in use. Sure, there were mistakes, but not as many as there have been under that cock-eyed 10-point rule.

Boxing judges, as Sid Ziff points out in the L.A. MIRROR NEWS, are not dealing with an exact science. No mathematical yardstick applies. He is against the recommendation of Fight Manager Norman Lockwood that referees be required to turn in their scores after each round.

So am I. It is my contention that the overall picture takes priority over the round-by-round method.

It is my further contention that the best thing California could do would be return to the 11-point system. It's the best.

▶ It was Hank Aceves' 13th pro fight—and this is one time that he was completely bejinxed. But don't blame it on 13. Blame it, rather, on poor judgment in rushing a promising youngster.

Gil Cadilli, 128, a boy who had scored wins over Willie Pep, Ike Chestnut, Miguel Berrios and other good ones, was entirely too good for young Aceves, 128½, and as a consequence scored a 7th round kayo over Hank at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A.

The gross gate was announced as $6,890, and undoubtedly some of that was contributed by Elmer Willhoite, former All-American football star at U.S.C., who was making his pro debut. Willhoite, 215, crude but effective, scored easily over Otis Fuller, 197.

Getting back to the main event: Cadilli had too much know-how for Aceves, a lad who was fighting his fourth main event. He dropped Hank in the first, and had him shaky in the fifth. A left to the jaw in the seventh stunned Aceves. He seemed glassy-eyed, and Referee Dick Young rushed in to stop what appeared to be certain annihilation.

However, don't give up on Aceves. This kid has class.

I recall that Enrique Bolanos was going great guns when he was stacked up against Manuel Ortiz, and suffered the first knock-out of his career. Nevertheless, he got up there again, and later fought Ike Williams for the world title not once, or twice, but thrice.

History could repeat itself in Hank's case.

In the semi-final, slated for six, little Abe Villa, 111, scored a 3rd round knockout over Ray Pacheco, 109.

The fours: Jim Norris, 155, dec. Eddie Gilbert, 151½; and Art Wilson, 150, dec. Richie McLane, 154.

▶ They keep telling Lauro Salas to hang 'em up, but the former lightweight champion keeps rolling along like Old Man River.

At Hollywood Legion Stadium, before a crowd of 3,300 who paid $4,640 gross, Salas, 129, scored the unanimous decision over rugged Noel Humphries, 130.

Referee Mushy Callahan scored it 94-93; Judge Dick Young, 97-94, and Judge Tommy Herman, 97-95. There was no question about the verdict.

Salas was favored at 10-7 going in. It was a substitute match; the Alfredo-Escobar-Vince Delgado scrap had to be postponed again, due to ailments and injuries.

In the six-round semi, Chacho Uribe, 124½, scored a split, tight-fit decision over Kenny Morris, 126. It was Kenny's first defeat. The fours: Curley Lee, 186½, KO (4) over Tony Burton, 181; Manny Gallardo, 130, KO (1) over Kid Kamva, 129; and Henry Brown, 150, dec. Charlie Clark, 146½.

▶ Billy Peacock rambled over to Albuquerque, N. M., and scored his sixth straight bantam victory over Italy's Gaetano Annaloro before a near-capacity crowd of 3,500. Peacock, 118; Annaloro, 115. Billy took every round, according to the A.P.

▶ A "crowd" estimated at 1,500 was on hand at the Olympic Auditorium to see fast-rising Paulie Armstead, 133½, score an 8th round TKO over Mickey Northrup, 135. Northrup substituted for Paul Jorgensen, who bowed out because of scholastic duties at the University of Houston.

In the six-round semi, Danny Valdez, 122, won the unanimous verdict over Manuel Elias, 119½. In another six, John Carroll, 190, decisioned Richard Wilburn, 173. Other prelims: Easie Williams, 161, and Bobby Harris, 166, ended as a one-round "technical" draw when an accidental butt rendered Williams hors de combat—a cut over his right eye. Percy Bradley, 153½, KO (1) over Dick Carrizosa, 155.

▶ State lightweight champ Don Jordan, 145¾, (a lightweight?) scored a split 10-round decision over colorful Karl Heinz Guder, 149, of Essen, Germany, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. A crowd estimated at 3,400 contributed to a $4,760 gate.

Judge Jimmy Wilson scored it 96-94 in favor of Guder, but he was overruled by Referee Mushy Callahan, 96-95, and Judge Dynamite Jackson, 98-93, both for Jordan.

The gate receipts were impressive, inasmuch as this show marked the return of TV to the Filmville arena. Incidentally, Hank Weaver, at the mike, turned in his usual topnotch job.

It was Guder's second appearance at Hollywood. In his debut, two weeks ago, he knocked out Ramon Tiscareno and did it so impressively that he had the crowd with him in this scrap against Jordan.

There's nothing fancy-Dan about the German lad. He walks in, swinging—a real crowd-pleaser. And Guder finished strong, winning the last two heats.

Baron Heinrich von Stumme, who imported Guder from the Vaterland, seems to have acquired a meal ticket in this boy. And everyone is happy about it, for the Baron is very popular hereabouts.

In the six-round semi, Orlando Di Pietro, 165, dropped Benny Doyle, also 165, for an eight-count in the 4th, then went on to nab the unanimous verdict.

The fours: Benny Medina, 140, dec. Art Lopez, 141; Ray Lopez, 159½, KO (4) over Richard Jones, 157½, and Al Gameros, 158, TKO (3) over Beau Ferguson, 161.

▶ It was just a romp for Davey Moore, 127, highly ranked featherweight contender, when he faced Fili Nava, 126, Mexico, at the Olympic Auditorium before a crowd of over 4,000 and a gross gate of $8,637.

As Morton Moss of the EXAMINER puts it: "Davey Moore knocked Fili Nava off his tricycle twice in batting out a decision as simple as Simon." Willie Ketchum's classy youngster scored knockdowns in the 5th and 9th; the bell saved Nava in the 9th.

In only one round did the Mexican battler give the crowd a thrill. In the 6th, Fili appeared to have scored a no-count knockdown, but Referee Lee Grossman ruled it was a slip. Davey later seconded the motion. He told John Hall, of the Mirror-News:

"Man, he couldn't knock me down if I stood still!"

The scoring tells the tale, better than words. Referee Lee Grossman tabbed it 98-84; Judge Costello Cruz and Judge Mushy Callahan turned in identical cards: 98-86. Moore had at least a 12-point margin on all cards.

The club didn't fare too well, financially: Moore had a $4,000 guarantee.

It was Davey's seventh straight win, and folks hereabouts figure he's entitled to No. 1 ranking among the featherweight contenders. No argument from this corner. I saw this kid beat Jose Luis Cotero, kayo conqueror of Pajarito Moreno, by the landslide margin of 299 out of a possible 300 points.

In the semi-final, Eddie Jones, 150½, KO (6) over Eddie Gilbert, 149½. Elmer Willhoite, the All-American footballer, 211, whipped Anthony Emanuel, 213½, and looked good winning. (Who don't?). Dave Martinez, 126, dec. Paul Harris, 128; and Larry Maldonado, 165, dec. Willie Gilbert, 165.

▶ The boxing game was well represented at the funeral of famed Joe Frisco, the stuttering comedian. On hand were Tommy Farmer, former manager of Manuel Ortiz; Frank Moran; Phil Bloom; Charley Sullivan; Art and Belle Martell; Frank Kerwin; Abe Roth; Bob Perry; Bing Conley and Larry McGrath. A bad cold kept me from the funeral. Frisco was a great fight fan; I saw him frequently at Jim Mullen's Gym in Chicago, back in the Roaring Twenties.

▶ It was Eddie Gaspora's first main event, after a brilliant career in prelim ranks which netted him 12 straight wins, and he celebrated the occasion at Hollywood Legion Stadium by scoring a 5-round TKO over Silvino (Baby) Rodriguez of Juarez. Both boys weighed in at 129.

This is one Washington's Birthday that Gaspora will never forget.

It was a bristling, toe-to-toe ruckus for the first four rounds, and the scoring of the officials attests thereto. As far as the fight had gone, Referee Dynamite Jackson tabbed it even-Stephen; Judge Joey Olmos had Gaspora ahead by 2, and Judge Charley Randolph had the Huntington Park lad in front by 3.

On hand was a crowd of some 2,200 souls (with possibly a heel here and there) and the gross gate was $3,150.

Rodriguez was pinch-hitting for Willie Lucero, who was downed by the flu.

The end came in round 5 after Gaspora had opened gashes over both of Rodriguez' eyes, with the right eye closing rapidly. Referee Jackson paged the club medic, and on his advice, stopped the fight and raised Gaspora's hand.

Artie Dixon, 158, protege of former bantam champ Harold Dade, scored a knockdown in round 1, and a clean kayo in round 6 of his fight with Bobby Sand, 163. Harold was the happiest man in town.

The fours: Andy Solis, 138½, dec. Jimmy Mitchell, 140; Ray Lopez, 158, TKO (3) over Rudy Smith, 157; and Tommy Carlin, 133½, KO 3 over Toro Martinez, 136.

▶ Not often does a boxing second get prominent mention in all the area newspapers. The exception is versatile Elmer Costa. This capable corner man, licensed by the California State Athletic Commission, was called in to referee at Richmond when the assigned arbiter, Johnny Lotsey, was unable to appear.

Costa made good use of his knowledge in the main event between Vic Cardot and Marvin Marcus. In the seventh round of a slugging match, Cardot floored Marcus with a right to the jaw. Marcus arose at nine, but he was reeling and helpless. Costa halted the fight with only a few seconds to go in the round, giving Cardot a TKO. They had been scheduled for eight rounds.

Cardot, of Oakland, weighed 140, as did Marcus, of Fresno. Gross receipts were $1,435, with Jimmy Cosenza promoting.

Johnny Wills, 135, Oakland, outpointed Joe Boy Charles, 138, El Cerrito, in another eight rounder.

The fours: Nick Brasher, 160, drew with Nick Santiago, 158; Joe Padilla, 138, dec. Ken Gordon, 137; Ritchie Matsamura, 132, outpointed George Page, 133.

▶ It was a clear-cut, one-sided 10th round TKO triumph for clever Auburn Copeland, 126½, at the Olympic Auditorium, L.A., and his victim was Felix (Pelon) Cervantes, 127½, of Mexicali, Mexico. And it was Auburn's fifth straight kayo win.

However, the attendance was only 950, a pitifully small turnout for a non-televised fight.

Cervantes was simply no match for Copeland. At the end of the ninth, Referee Jimmy Wilson had Copeland in front by 9; Judge George Latka by 8, and Judge Frankie Van by 10.

In the semi, slated for six, classy Danny Valdez, 124, TKO (2) over Dick Page, 124½. The fours: Wren Saxton, 148, dec. Andy Savage, 144; Joe White, 147, dec. John Howard, 148; and Howard Carney, 130, dec. Danny Guzman, 128.

▶ At Hollywood Legion Stadium, a crowd of 2,800 paid a gross of $3,920 to see Pete

Kawula, 127½, win a close decision over Lauro Salas, 130. The fight was televised, and there was considerable dissension over the verdict.

Though the officials were unanimous for Kawula—Referee Tommy Hart, 97-94; Judge John Thomas, 98-95, and Judge Costello Cruz, 97-96—the press-row boys violently dissented.

In the semi, slated for six, Jimmy Jackson, 137, KO 3 over Ray Copeland, 136½. The fours: Ralph Bunch, 136½, dec. Benny Medina, 140; Willie Gilbert, 165½, dec. Willie Barnes, 166½, and Curley Lee, 183, dec. Otis Fuller, 196.

▶ He is the light-heavyweight champion of the world, but Archie Moore weighed a hefty 196½ for his 10-round fight with Bert Whitehurst at Swing Auditorium, San Bernardino, who weighed 194½. Last September, a svelte 175 pounds, Moore defended his title against Tony Anthony in Los Angeles.

The additional 21½ pounds didn't do Archie any good, insofar as speed is concerned. But it didn't stop him from registering a 10th round knockout over Whitehurst.

The fight was very close going into the 10th and last. It was Archie's first fight since January 13th—almost two months.

Here is how the officials scored it at the end of the 9th heat: Referee Tommy Hart had Whitehurst ahead by 2; Judge Costello Cruz saw Moore in front by 3, and Judge John Thomas tabbed Moore by a single point.

Los Angeles scribes at the ringside are of the opinion that Archie would have permitted Whitehurst to go the route if he had "behaved" himself. But Bert, with victory in sight, landed a solid right-hank sock, smack on Moore's chin. He made a mistake.

That punch seemed to knock Archie loose from his lethargy. He got real mad. A few moments later he floored Whitehurst with a left hook to the jaw. As Bert staggered to his feet, somewhat unsteadily, Moore ripped into him with a barrage of punches, finally connecting with a solid right to the jaw, and another to the same spot an instant later.

That was it. Mr. Whitehurst, misty-eyed, collapsed near the ropes. With the aid of those same ropes, he managed to regain his footing, but he was obviously in such bad shape that Referee Hart without hesitancy stopped the scrap, and raised Moore's mitt in token of victory.

▶ In a benefit program to aid the Latter Day Saints Youth Organization, Gene Fullmer put on a spirited four-round exhibition at the Civic Auditorium in San Jose. His sparmate was Deacon Bryant, crowd pleasing San Francisco mittster.

Gross gate of the event, promoted by Abe Acquistapace, was $3,689. Expenses were approximately $1,500.

The ex-middleweight champion paid his own travelling expenses from West Jordan, Utah, and took nothing for his services. Referee was Max Baer, former heavyweight title holder.

In the accompanying card Sixto Rodriguez, 175, Mt. View, won all ten rounds from Tommy Villa, 178, of Decoto. Villa's only show of concerted punching was in the fifth.

Tony Moss, 160, S. F., knocked out Kid Cooper, 155, S. F., in the first round of a scheduled six. George Sullivan, 142, San Rafael, outpointed Speedy Henderson, 135, S. F., in another six.

▶ Kid Centella, heavy hitting lightweight, has good reason to consider Sacramento his unlucky town. More than a year ago he was giving hometowner Joey Lopes plenty of trouble when the fight was halted midway on account of Centella's badly cut eye. A TKO for Lopes. More recently bad luck struck again. Centella suffered an eye cut in the first round in a contest with Baby Leroy. This time the Keed got a better break in the record books. The fight was halted and declared a draw.

The program at Sacramento's Memorial Auditorium grossed $2,102. It was promoted by the Victory Athletic Club. Weights: Centella, 141; Leroy, 138. Referee, Johnny Reno.

A famed name in boxing history appeared in one of the six-rounders. Dado Marino, Jr., son of the former flyweight champion, lost a split decision to Calvin Leigh of Florida. Each weighed 122.

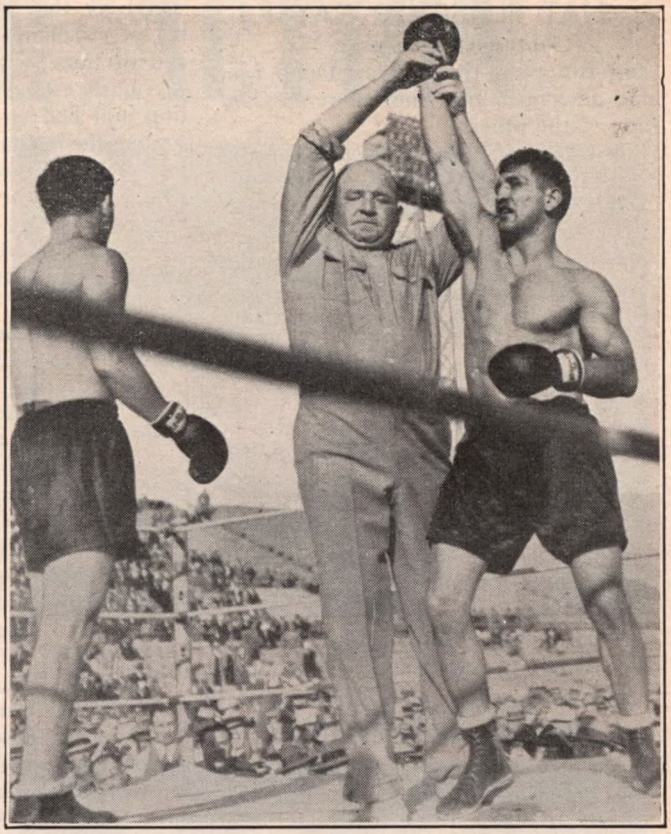
In another scheduled six, Teddy Martin, 168, Sacramento, knocked out Joe Neal, 166, Stockton, in 44 seconds of the first round.

Four rounders: John Guerrero, 139, dec. Ken Gordon, 138; George Page, 136, outpointed Warren Tender, 137.

▶ Willie Parker of Los Angeles was an unknown quantity to Stockton fans before his battle with Herman Marquez. Some localities even claimed that "something easy" was being imported for bright prospect Marquez, a former amateur title holder. Parker proceed to fool 'em by giving just as much as he received for seven rounds, but then bad luck intervened, and Parker lost by a TKO in the eight because of a cut eye. Weights: Parker, 120; Marquez, 119.

In another ten rounder, Stockton's Leo Agbulos conceded six pounds (140-146) to Kenny Willis of Richmond, but outpunched his foe throughout to take the verdict.

Other results: Joe Neal, 165, dec. Dave McDowell, 166, in 4; Ronnie Perez, 125, KO'd Sammy Rustin, 131, in 3.



It was twenty-five years ago on Washington's Birthday that Young Corbett III had his hand raised in victory by Lt. Jack Kennedy, the referee, after a ten round bout at San Francisco which won for him the world welterweight title. Corbett was recently accorded a Silver Anniversary civic banquet in Fresno.

▶ The following news reports come from Jerry Mullany:

The "away from home" complex that seems to affect capable fighters will always be a mystery to fans. George Kennedy, who in recent bouts at Fresno seemed like a confident, speedy and nearly flawless ringman, became just the opposite when he succumbed in three rounds to Bob Butcher in the headliner at the Auditorium in Richmond.

Buddy McDonald, 142, a newcomer from Canada, made a good impression in boxing Bill Brown, 140, of Oakland, to a draw. This was the semi-windup ten rounder.

Rocky Fumerelle, 157, S.F., knocked out Johnny Milton, 153, Oakland, in 1.51 of the third. They had been slated for six.

In the curtain raiser six, Joe Brewer, 160, Fresno, outpointed Don Edmonds, 155, Oakland.

▶ Take an opinion poll on this question: "Who was the best fighter you ever saw?" Many thousands of middle-aged fans in San Francisco and Fresno would shock you with their answer: "Young Corbett III, of course."

This will undoubtedly surprise some young boxing historians, but the older enthusiasts have strong statistics to back this selection.

Corbett's record—Page 253, 1958 Ring Record Book—which every fan should have, shows victories over seven title-holders: Mickey Walker, Billy Conn, Gus Lesnevich (KO 5) Ceferino Garcia (twice) Jackie Fields, Young Jack Thompson and Fred Apostoli. Knockouts over such stalwarts as Nick Testo, 5; Eddie Roberts, 9; Andy Divodi, 4; Young Terry, 3.

And a big number of other triumphs over then-current favorites like Sergeant Sammy Baker, Jack Zivic, and Bep Van Klaveren.

It was Corbett's victory over Fields, 25 years ago, that called for a Silver Anniversary civic banquet in Fresno on Washington's Birthday. The Fresno BEE devoted two pages to the event, reprinting photos and feature stories from 1933, including the round-by-round account.

Some mellowed statistics: The bout, at Seals Stadium, San Francisco, drew about 15,000 who paid a gross of well over $50,000. Referee, Lieut. Jack Kennedy, U.S.N. Jack Dempsey and Jack Kearns shook hands before the main event, after eight years of bitter enmity.

But what happened on May 29, 1933, may keep Corbett from ever getting into boxing's Hall of Fame. Jimmy McLarnin snatched Corbett's crown by KO in Round 1 at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles.

McLarnin also had a big San Francisco following, and promoters envisioned a $100,000 gate for a return go. But McLarnin found even richer pickings back East against Barney Ross and others. Meanwhile, Corbett outgrew the 147-pound class, and campaigned as a middleweight until his retirement in 1940.

Corbett (Rafaele Capabianco Giordano) was born 53 years ago in Naples, Italy. He came to Fresno in 1909; started pro career in October, 1919. Corbett engaged in well over 100 fights in his 21-year career; of these he lost 8, won or drew in all the rest.

▶ A Garrison finish enabled Joe Miceli, New York, 150, to snare the unanimous verdict over Karl Heinz Guder, Essen, Germany, 152½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

In the tenth and final round, the New Yorker cinched the verdict by scoring two knockdowns, both with left hooks, Miceli's specialty. The first was for a four-count, the second for a count of two.

But the Baron had this consolation: in the six-round semi-final, his boy Ernest Krenzek, 135¾, of Dortmund, Germany, won the unanimous decision over Tommy Carlin, L. A., 134.

As an added attraction, Chico Vejar, slated to fight Art Aragon the following week, boxed four rounds with spar-mate Jesse Jones, 160, L.A. There was a decision rendered. Give you one guess who won it.

The four-rounders: Al Gameros, 156½, KO (2) over John Henry Smith, 157½; Ward Yee, 125½, decisioned Joe Hernandez, 130.

▶ Nat Fleischer, in his latest Ring ratings, boosted Davey Moore into No. 1 contendership for Hogan (Kid) Bassey's world featherweight crown and in gratitude for this well-deserved promotion, he knocked out local pride Vince Delgado in Round 3 at the Olympic Auditorium. Attendance, 4450 (estimated); gross gate $8,350. No TV.

It was Davey's third straight win at the venerable Los Angeles arena.

The bell saved Delgado in Round 2. He hit the deck just before the gong sounded. Davey wasted no time in the third. He scored with a light right, followed an instant later with a crashing left hook to the jaw. He was counted out by Referee Charley Randolph.

In the six-round semi, Johnny Mayes, 214, dec. Ted Hutchinson, 198½. The fours: Ray Walk, 140½, KO (2) over Jimmy Mitchell, 141, Curtis Jamison, 160, dec. Nathan Ish, 159, and Manuel Sifuentes, 122, dec. Rogelio Ybarra, 122.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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and European title holder, Dulio Loi. He deserves a title shot more so than any of the others.

In re Loi, Steve Klaus, representing the Milan Sports Club, offered Viscusi $50,000 with three round trip tickets, the guarantee to be tax free and all expenses to be paid, if Brown would defend his crown against Loi but this fabulous offer was turned down. The Italian Federation, writing to The Ring Editor, informed him that the Loi case would be discussed at the coming European Boxing Federation.

"We in Europe are fed up on the manner in which our champions are being treated. Loi has been the Number One contender for a long time yet he has been ignored in the selection of a fit opponent for Brown in a championship match." If necessary we shall stage our own championships without the support of American organization."

INTERNATIONAL DIAMOND BELT TOURNEY

The International Diamond Belt amateur boxing tournament which last year was staged in Seattle under the leadership of A. L. Neff with the cooperation of the A.A.U. and the U. S. Government, will be continued this year with Mexico City as the scene of activity, and in 1959, it will be staged in Cuba. Ramon G. Velazquez, representing the Club Deportivo Hacienda, is sponsoring this year's event which will be held starting on August 6 and ending on August 9. Already West Germany, Cuba, Nicaragua, Mexico and the United States have sent in entries and Brazil, Argentina, and Italy are expected to have a team of competitors.

The Mexican Government is backing the tournament which it is hoped will be bigger and better than was the Pan-American affair of three years ago. Boxers will compete in ten classes, a light welter and light middleweight division being listed besides the regulation eight classes. Jack Dempsey is aiding the promotion as is Neff, last year's sponsor.

AMATEUR BOXING IN U. S. AT A HIGH LEVEL

The completion of the Golden Gloves tournaments finds amateur boxing in the United States at a higher level than it has been in years. Reports from the Daily News of New York and the Chicago Tribune directors of the national shows, indicate that 20,000 boys, hailing from every part of the country, took part. The crowds were bigger, the list of competitors larger and the competition above the average.

When the finals, Eastern and Western were staged in Madison Square Garden and in the Chicago Stadium, respectively, they brought to light a number of excellent prospects, though several of those who landed on top had previously engaged in national competition and had already made the grade. Among the outstanding performers were Jose Torres, New York middleweight, who reached the finals in the recent Olympic Games in Melbourne; Norman Smith of Washington, D. C., an excellent feather; Dan Hodge of Wichita, Kansas, member of the U.S. Olympic wrestling team at both the Helsinki and Melbourne Games, who five months ago took up boxing and won the heavyweight title in Chicago; Kent Green of the Chicago CYO, a light heavy who is attending teacher's College; Jim Hargett, a light heavyweight from New York, a fine all-around performer; Anthony Tozzo, a 17-year-old, 118 pounder who lives in New York; Gil Yanez, Toledo flyweight and Gilbert Higgenbotham of Lafayette, Georgia.

These Eastern and Western champions, if they remain simon pures and continue to develop, will form the nucleus of a good U.S. Olympic team for the Rome Games in 1960. They have what it takes to reach the top.

It is from the Golden Gloves that the professionals have discovered their best talent in past years and this year's crop of amateurs are likely to add to the list of future greats. Among the graduates are Barney Ross, Joe Louis, Gus Lesnevich, Frankie Genaro, Sal Bartola, Rocky Graziano, Bob Olin, Tony Zale, Pete Scalzo, Joey Maxim, Melio Bettina, Nate Brooks, Johnny Saxton, Phil Terranova, Billy Soose and Solly Krieger, each of whom won a crown.

Conceived by the late Archie Ward of the Chicago Tribune, the first tournament was held in 1926. In 1927, Paul Galico, then Sports Editor of the Daily News, launched the Golden Gloves in New York.

FROM OUR READERS

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Our best bantam is Graham Van der Walt. He is a fighter to watch.

This is not by way of criticism, merely to offer some information which you apparently have not on hand.

May I take this means to thank you on my behalf and my countrymen for the excellent service you and The Ring Magazine have given to boxing. The Ring is truly "The Bible of Boxing". What would we do without it and your excellent Ring Record Book?

R. Hart
Malvern,
Johannesburg,
So. Africa

■ **Ed. Note:** – Sorry but our records show that all the fighters you have named fought at least three times during 1957 hence, following our usual procedure, were listed in our annual rating of boxers.

CUBAN ARENA TOPS

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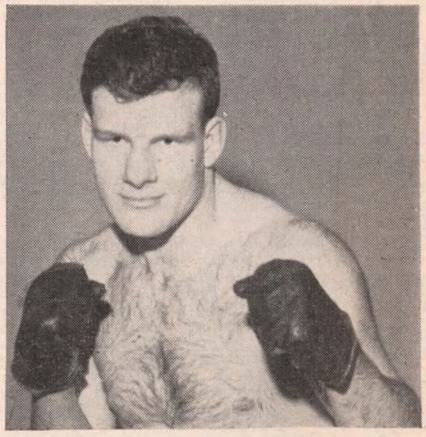
world. He was handled wisely by Gutierrez, the man who ruled the sport in Cuba when the first Sports Palace was erected. It took more than skill, solid hitting and perseverance for the Cuban to make the grade. Ingenuity was needed and his manager supplied that for little Eligio Sardinias.

When Eligio weighed only 52 pounds, Luis Gutierrez, then Sports Editor of an Havana paper, El Noche, set up an amateur program in which Sardinias competed. That was his first fight and he won his bout. Today, a drug addict, ill for many years, he weighs only 32 pounds more.

The new sports palace was dedicated officially on February 26 with three Latin American championship bouts and the Brown-Echevarria non-title lightweight bout. In the last named the Cubans were keenly disappointed when Brown knocked out Echevarria in 2.50 of the opening round.

Mario de Leon, flyweight champion of Mexico, outpointed Oscar Suarez of Cuba, in a keenly fought twelve rounder. Angel "Robinson" Garcia, who has a striking resemblance to Sugar Ray, pounded out a two-fisted attack in the ninth round to halt Isidro Martinez of Panama for the Junior lightweight crown and Jose Ramon Flores of Cuba lost a bitterly fought twelve round welter bout to Alvaro Guitierrez of Mexico.

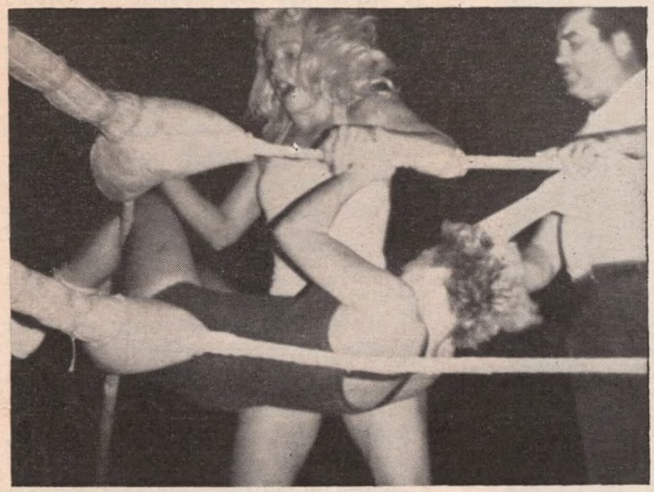


Terry Lewis, Sioux City, Iowa's promising heavyweight, who has ripped through his first nine professional fights in sensational fashion, scoring eight knockouts and winning one by decision.

The 21-year-old, Irish-American lad, under the direction of Tom O'Loughlin, was an outstanding football player in college. The colorful youngster did his pro fighting in the Far West in 1957 and is now making his headquarters in Minneapolis. In his last two starts there, he decisioned Benny Mason and halted Jerry Bailey.

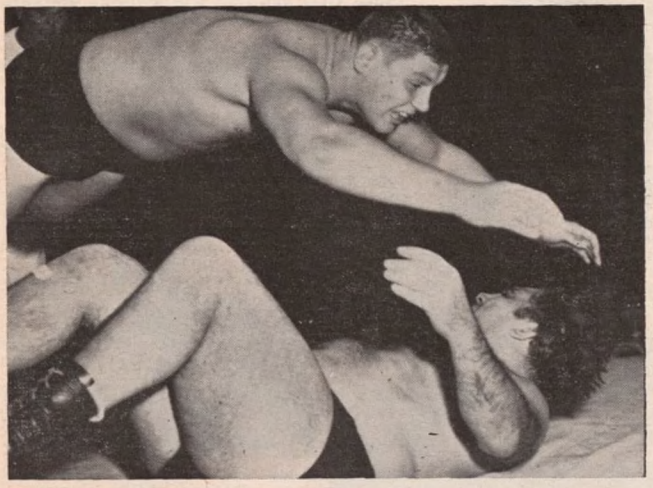
Lewis stands six feet, six inches tall, and tips the scales at about 235. He should be a big hit.

GRAPPLING ACTION

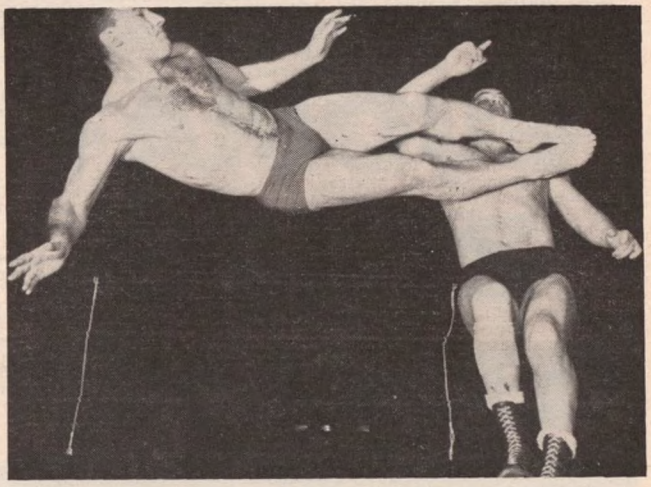


They know the ropes! Mid-West champ Lorraine Johnson seen giving the business to Joan Ballard. Referee Jack Hader attempted to untie the knot. Miss Johnson went on to win the match with a body press. (Photo by Wilson)

A feat of feet! Judy Grable puts her bare tootsies up for kicks and the Fabulous Moolah doesn't like it a bit. On the face of it you can't blame her. The action took place at Dallas, Texas, before a sell out crowd that saw Moolah win in sensational style.



Touchdown! Alex Karras, Iowa's All-American football tackle launching a successful mat career by pinning Al Montana, a veteran New Yorker, in 4:20 of a scheduled 30 minute one fall bout. Action took place at Des Moines, Iowa.



Antonio Rocca of the Argentine could be saying: "Pardon, Tolos," as he lands a flying tackle to the face of Chris Tolos in a recent Madison Square Garden, New York, Tag Team affair. Rocca and Miguel Perez defeated the brother combo of Chris and John Tolos.

A top villain, tough Hans Schmidt is given a police escort after wrestling to a draw with veteran Bobby Managoff at Indianapolis. Photo by Bob Utter.

Juan Garcia, 245, wrestling out of Albuquerque, seen with a headlock on world's champ Dick Hutton, 215 pounds, at the Civic Auditorium at Albuquerque. The champ from Texas won the match.

RATINGS

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Erich Schoppner kayoed Willi Hoepner, 1., for German title. Roque Maravilla stopped Billy Lanza, 6. Donnie Fleeman stopped Ruben Hernandez, 4.

Tony Anthony stopped British Empire Champion Yvon Durelle, 7. Dogomar Martinez won South American Title by kayoing Luis Ignacio, 14. Billy Ryan outscored Willie Gray, 10.

Jesse Bowdry halted Eddie O'Hara, 2. Freddy Mack beat heavyweight Louis Jones, 6.

French Champion Charles Colin retained laurels by outpointing Jacques Bro, 15. Rocco Mazzola halted Hamouda Bouraoui, 4.

Uwe Janssen decisioned Heinz Lemm, 8. Yao Kouame kayoed Gilbert Chapron, 8.

Jesse Bowdry outpointed Pero Bradley, 8. Chic Calderwood polished off Jackie Scott, 3. Dieter Wemhoner outpointed Pekka Kokkonen, 8. Benny Mason kayoed George Jarosch, 2.

Al Sparks bested Al Andrews, 10. Dave Mooney polished off Ken Rowlands, 4. Horst Niche outfought Serge Leveque, 8. Ronnie Washenskey lost to heavyweight Emil Brtko, 8. Bob Young beat Willie Mack, 6.

Floyd McCoy upset Harry Ball, 6. Cardell Farmos and Willie Grey, drew, 6, Cardell then beat Burke Emery, 8. Teddy Martin kayoed Joe Neal, 1. Bob Parrish kayoed Puggy Jones, 6, and Gil Young, 9.

Jack McCracken stopped Harry Terry, 2. Orlando DiPietro beat Benny Doyle, 6. Leroy Green and Johnny Jenkins drew, 6. Jim Beard kayoed Gene Duncan, 2.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

European champion Charley Humez handed German champion Gustav Scholz his first lose in 69 fights, 10. (non-title). Scholz previously had stopped Michel Masson, 7.

Gene Fullmer whipped Milo Savage, 10. Holly Mims upset Ellsworth (Spider) Webb, 10.

British Empire Champion Pat McAteer held to draw by Hanswerner Wohlers, 10.

Rory Calhoun kayoed Young Beau Jack, 5, and beat Randy Sandy, 10. Clive Stewart won Australian title by stopping Billy McDonnell, 11.

Neal Rivers kayoed Chebo Hernandez, 2, and Chebo's brother Ramon, 3. Sugar Boy Nando stopped Sammy Walker, 7. Jimmy Beecham upset Willie Vaughn, 10.

Gene (Ace) Armstrong defeated Charley Joseph, 10. Bobby Gordon kayoed Baby Linares, 2. Ralph (Tiger) Jones edged out Kid Gavilan, 10. Franz Szuzina stopped John Victor Penn, 2.

Jimmy Martinez outpointed Bobby Jones, 10. Ernie Smith upset Tony Dupas, 10, but was stopped by Wilf Greaves, 6. Tony won on a disqualification in 7 from Clarence Cook. Italo Scortichini, beat Jay Anderson, 10. Andre Drille polished off Louis Trochon, 4.

Chico Vejar whipped Bobby Dalton, 10, and Jesse Jones, 4. Frankie Anslem halted Johnny Cunningham, 6. Dick Hall kayoed Gene Hamilton, 1.

Phil Moyer outscored Pedro Gonzales, 10. Welsh Champion Phil Edwards outscored John Woolard, 8, and Olle Bengtsson, 6. Jimmy Robinson kayoed Joe Shaw, 2.

Willie Dockery beat Richie Hill, 8. Jorge Castro and Al Mendoza drew, 10.

Chuck Lincoln won from Lou Josephs, 10. Henry Hank beat Charlie Cotton, 8. John (Cowboy) McCormack halted Vincent O'Kine, 7.

Billy Hester defeated Willie Gilbert, 10. Pinky Peralta defeated Kid Zecatecas, 10, but dropped a rematch, 10. Paul Diaz, kayoed Tom Simonetti, 8.

Jimmy Chavis defeated Arley Seifer, 8. Pero Bradley beat Rudell Stitch, 8. Ubaldo Sacco won from Bernardo Romero, 10.

Artie Dixon stopped Bobby Sand, 6. Eddie Thompson beat Leo Owens, 6. Joe DeNucci beat Jackson Brown, 8.

Max Resch outfought Jean Ruellet, 8. Johnny Morris outscored Curtis Coles, 8. Ernie Gibson kayoed Harvey Burke, 7.

Bob Berdhal kayoed Ken Stokes, 2, and Sammy Marino, 1. Tom Brown whipped Skippy Green, 6. Angel Lopez beat Roxel Mosley, 6. Manfred Hass suffered his first defeat in 11 pro bouts when he was kayoed by Louis Luchetti, 3. Jack Russell drew with Earl Clemmons, 6. Tony Moss kayoed Kid Cooper, 1.

Don Fullmer beat Billy O'Neill, 6. Vince Ferguson kayoed Cleo Zandt, 3. Dick Newell beat Roger Johnson, 6, Roger drew with Ray Wells, 5. Milton Epps beat Ray Drayton, 6. Victor Zalazar kayoed Santiago Meza, 9.

George Harrell outfought Bill Tate, 8. Ted Millhouse stopped Joey Bertrone, 5. Mike Coronado won over Daniel Felizardo, 10.

Otis Woodard won from Willie Long, 6. Joe Cancio stopped Jose Barcenaz, 5. Eddie Jones halted Eddie Gilbert, 6.

Willie Vaughn and Jimmy Beecham drew, 10. South American champion Andres Selpa retained his title outpointing Humberto Loayza, 15. Art Aragon outpointed Chico Vejar, 10.

Del Flanagan halted Clarence Cook, 9. Johnny Morris halted Clarence Alford, 4. Eddie Dixon outpunched Juan Pomare, 6. Joe DeNucci stopped Jackson Brown, 7.

Terry Downes stopped Ben Salah Farhat, 5. Al Mendoza defeated Pinky Peralta, 10. Joey Archer whipped Joe Lissy, 6. Dale Manz stopped Dick Lane, 10. Joe Schmolze whipped Jim Sargent, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Virgil Akins gained the final round of the welterweight elimination by stopping Isaac Logart, 6.

Garnet (Sugar) Hart edged out Clarence (Duke) Harris, 10.

Kid Gavilan lost to middleweight Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 10.

Giancarlo Garbelli outscored Larry Baker, 10. Joe Miceli outscored Karl-Heinz Guder, 10.

South American champion Martiniano Pereyra kayoed Francisco Ciucci, 6. Rocky Kalingo decisioned Timmie Jefferson, 10. Bruno Visintin stopped Jack Subero, 3, and Pierre Wouters, 2. Billy Todd won vacant Australian title by outpointing Billy Stanley, 15. Cirilo Gil kayoed Federico Guerra, 4.

Alberto Bisbe won the Cuban Junior welter title by beating Baby Cochet, 12. Jorge Fernandez halted Luis Salines, 5. Barry Allison handed Tony Veranis his first loss after thirty fights, 10.

Nardo Parets won from Luis Rodriguez, 10. Joe N'Gidi outfought Attu Clottey, 10. Javier Valenzuela and Negro Calvera drew, 10. Jess Bogart beat lightweight Antonio Ramirez, 10, and Ceferino Montero, 10. Baby Concer stopped Tommy Ramirez, 6.

Jimmy Peters whipped George Chimenti, 8. Frederick Thompson kayoed Angel Gregorutti, 2, and beat Angel Bello, 10. Jimmy Archer stopped Danny Russo, 7. Jacques Herbillon won French title by outpointing Valere Benedetto, 15.

Jay Fullmer kayoed Pat Maloney, 3. Peter Schmidt beat Jimmy Moulton, 8, but lost to Tony D'Biase, 10. Gomero Brennan stopped Al Walker, 7. Ray Muniz defeated Angel Lopez, 10.

Gerry Drouin stopped Aime Gauthier, 5. Dale Davis beat Harold Redman, 8. Al Jones bested Wally Johnson, 8.

Eddie Perkins stopped Willie Dillon, 5. Norman Gautreau and Jerry Leroux, drew, 6. Joe Devlin stopped Danny Jones, 4.

Rolando Rodriguez beat Sal Hernandez, 8. Eddie Jordan won from Vic Compos, 6. Johnny Gorman stopped Felix Machado, 6.

Denny Moyer kayoed Howard Dixon, 4. Jesus Geles kayoed Kid Rodriguez, 5. Tommy Maddox beat Don Jose, 5. Joe DiPierro beat Cisco Haley, 6. Big Dynamite stopped Gene Tippett, 6. Apolinar Huerta outpointed Salvador Vera, 10.

Gene Tortorice beat Jimmy Kelly, 6, and Mike Pinelli, 6. Bobby Douglas kayoed Chico Corsey, 1.

Al Melendez kayoed Richie Enriquez, 1. Bertram Bailey stopped Bobby Shell, 4. Jerry Mortell kayoed Jimmy McCoy, 1.

Al Milone beat Gene Hamilton, 6. Russ Davis kayoed Jim Morley, 3. Diogenes Sagarra stopped Alexia Garcia, 6.

Bobby Lincoln kayoed George Ross, 2, Ross also lost to Joe Fusco, 8. Lazaro Hernandez Kessell beat Felix Sama, 6. Larry Jones and Julius Rhodes drew, 6. Jack Flores beat Sonny Rojo, 6.

Don Weller and Joe Woodward drew, 6. Battling Douglas beat Bob Moss, 6. Antonio Marcilla kayoed Jim McNamara, 1. Ray Sheppard and Rocky Ferguson drew, 5.

Joe Murphy won from Bobby Ortiz, 8. Leo Corrales outscored Babe Arellano, 10. Guy Sumlin kayoed Cheffy Reyna, 2, and beat Al Boudreaux, 6. Fortunato Manca outfought Scottish Champion Jimmy Croll, 10.

Arnoldo Gill whipped Juan Padilla, 10. Frankie Belma outpointed Kid Rayo, 10. Joe Devlin halted Tony Veranis, 3. Rudy Gwin stopped Ernie Roberts, 3. Fletcher Lee stopped Dale Davis, 8.

Jimmy Chavis defeated Willie Epps, 8. Buford Ramson stopped Billy Pinkus, 2. Dick Bartman defeated Mickey Gregory, 6. Eddie Jordan halted Nick Grimaldi, 2. Tony Saucedo and Camilo Flores drew, 6.

John Milton won from Deacon Bryant, 6. Al Jones and Primus Williams drew, 6. Al Styles kayoed Charley Little, 2. Charlie Cummings defeated Eddie Prince, 6.

Little Firpo stopped Bobby Ortiz, 3. Georgie Coles stopped Henry Hickman, 2. Jesse Jones stopped Joey Abasta, 1.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

World champion Joe Brown kayoed Orlando Echevarria, 1 (non-title). Joe Lopes decisioned former champion Jimmy Carter, 10.

Mexican champion Baby Vasquez beat Sergio Gomez, 10. Bobby Rogers upset Angel Garcia, 10, Garcia had stopped Isidro Martinez, 9.

Carmelo Costa returned to action as a lightweight and beat Iggy Maldonado, 10. Al Nevarez defeated Wallace (Bud) Smith, 10, Smith was then stopped by European champion Duilio Loi, 9, Loi was held to a surprise draw by Manfred Neuke, 10. Sammy Bonnici stopped Emil Tinde, 8. Gabriel (Flash) Elorde re-won the Orient title by beating Hiroshi Okawa, 12.

Carlos Ortiz decisioned Tommy Tibbs, 10. Larry Boardman halted Lulu Perez, 6. Dave Dupas upset Gale Kerwin, 10. Leo Agbulos defeated Kenny Willis, 10.

Felix Chiocca defeated Charley Douglas, 10. Steve Ward outscored Teddy Davis, 12. Carlos Arregui beat Ubaldo Ramirez, 10, and won on a disqualification over Lalo Duque, 7. Al Urbina bested Beto Gonzalez, 10. Armando Baragano decisioned Tomas Castillo, 10.

Tommy Romulo kayoed Russell Sands, 7, but lost to Maxie Carlos, 12. Chucho Mejia defeated Antonio Ramirez, 10, Ramirez also lost to Jess Bogart, 10.

L. C. Morgan kayoed Jimmy Feaster, 1, and Dave Cervantes, 5. Ciclon Alvarez was beaten by Camacho Guzman, 10. Ray Lancaster outpointed Jimmy Carter, 10. Joe Reynolds defeated Chuck Taylor, 8. Henry Gutierrez stopped Johnny Hart, 6, and Hector Ramirez, 4.

Ezequiel Uribe beat Julio Escobedo, 10. Rocky Randall halted Jimmy Leach, 6. Vicente Ramirez kayoed Canelo Kid, 5, and beat Raul Rivera, 10. Andy Arel outpointed Ray Estepa, 8. Vic Cardo stopped Marvin Marcus, 7, and outpointed Buddy McDonald, 8. Hector Ramirez beat Jorge Gonzalez, 10.

Marvin McFarland beat Eddie Armstrong, 6. Pat Mallane and Paul Lee drew, 8. Kid Pancho and Thep Vihtool drew, 10. Jose Campos won from Salomon Ceronel, 8.

Chivo Diaz defeated Kid Filipino, 10. Jorge Chavez kayoed Danny Esquer, 4, and Kid Bechomo, 2. Sergio Contreras stopped Humberto Vilchis, 8.

Roberto Pena whipped Luciano Gonzalez, 10. Eduardo Almazan beat Carlos Loyola, 8. Carlos kayoed Benny Suarez, 5, and beat Tony Lopez, 10.

Johnny Wills beat Joe Boy Charles, 8. Pedro Rodriguez whipped David Camacho, 10.

Lem Miller whipped Rudy Nieto, 6. George Sullivan beat Speedy Henderson, 6. Pedro Rodriguez drew with Libe Zavala, 6, but was kayoed by Salvador Ruiz, 5, while Zavala beat Juan Alonzo, 6. Julio Gallergos kayoed Andres Gonzalez, 7.

Alberto Robinson bested Santiago Ramirez, 10. Gene Gresham halted Burt Singer, 6. Aladino Guzman stopped Dan Melendez, 1. Ernest Krenzek and Abe Haynes drew, 6. Ernie then beat Tommy Carlin, 6. Jimmy Moser won from Jimmy Lassiter, 10. Jackie Donnelly beat Frank Labarre, 6.

Octavio Salas kayoed Eloy Pereira, 2. Tiger Smith and Tommy Misson drew, 6. Jimmy Jackson stopped Ray Copeland, 3. Florentino Fernandez stopped Rollie Garcia, 4.

John Tombley won over Pat O'Brien, 6. Henry Hickman whipped Willie Cooper, 6. Louis van Hoeck retained Belgian title by beating Daniel Cobe, 12.

Chico Velez defeated Bernie Jones, 6. Pat McCoy whipped Norman Gautreau, 6. Chinco Chavez stopped Jimmy Zale, 6.

Larry Boardman stopped Kid Centella, 5. Gale Kerwin outpointed Dave Dupas, 10. Franco Rosini outscored Severo Fuentes, 12. Steve Ward defeated Freddie Coazart, 10.

Len Matthews kayoed Buck Earnhardt, 1. Jimmy Kelly stopped Jimmy Connors, 5. Chico Velez stopped Mike Spataro, 6. Abe Haynes whipped Joey Armstrong, 6.

Len Walters stopped Harry Warren, 4. Gordon Parker won over Johnny Taylor, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Davey Moore outscored Fili Nava, 10, after Fili kayoed Little Palma, 7. Moore then halted Vince Delgado, 3.

Paul Jorgensen outboxed Gil Cadilli, 10, and welter Ray Portilla, 10.

European Champion Cherif Hamia outscored Bobby Bell, 10. Battling Torres outscored Felipe Sosa, 10.

Harold Gomes edged out Ike Chestnut, 10. Kid Anahuac beat Fidel Lucero, 10. Manolo Garcia outpointed Ricardo Gonzalez, 10.

Pete Kawala won from Lauro Salas, 10. Italian Champion Sergio Caprari outfought Rene Barriere, 10. Claudio Adame won over Nacho Paredes, 10, and drew with lightweight Hector Garcia, 10. Nacho drew with Tony Ortiz, 6, and lost to Ramon Rodriguez, 6. Angel Guerrero won on a disqualification over Beto Carbajal, 7. Isidro Martinez was stopped by lightweight Angel Garcia, 9.

Mauro Vazquez kayoed Kenny Davis, 9. Jules Touan halted Altidoro Polidori, 6.

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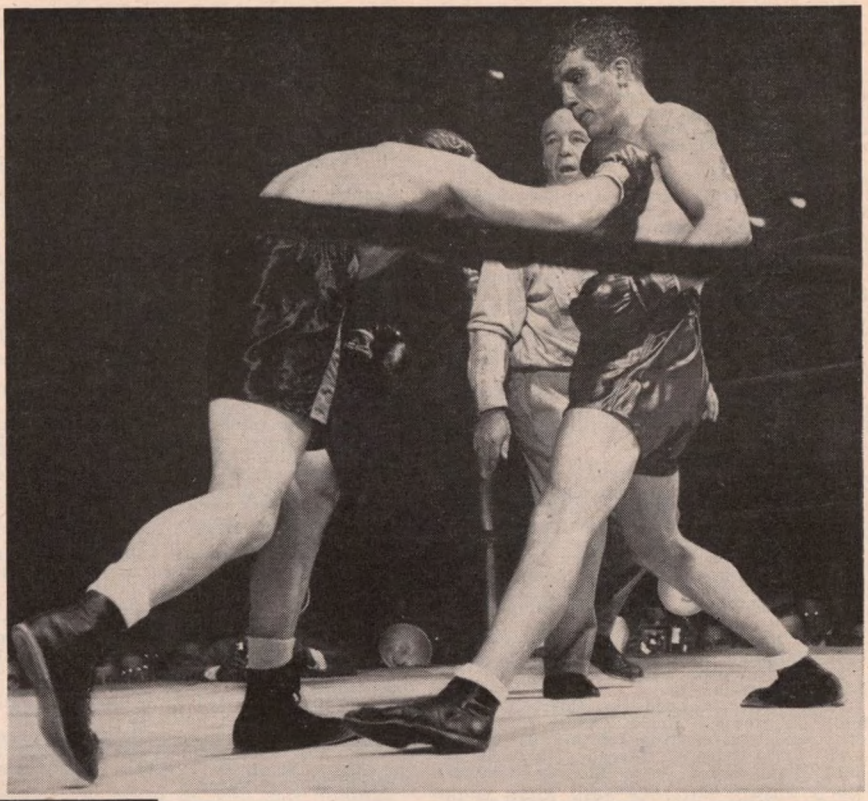
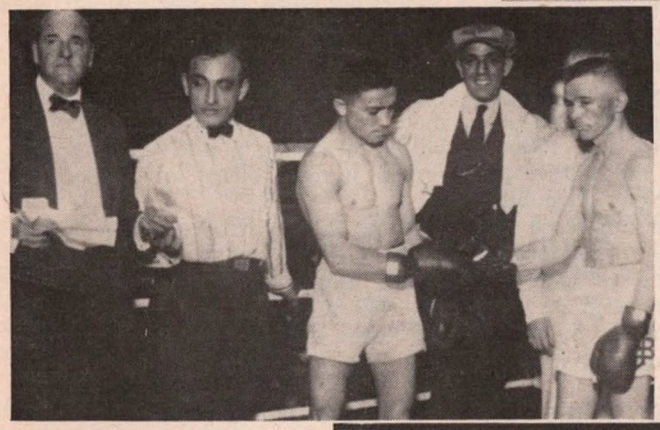
Right: Billy Conn (right), former world light-heavyweight champion who almost toppled Joe Louis from the heavyweight title the summer before, had difficulty defeating middleweight champion Tony Zale at Madison Square Garden on February 13, 1942 in a twelve rounder. It was the last fight for both before going into service, Conn entering the U. S. Army and Zale enlisting in the U. S. Navy.

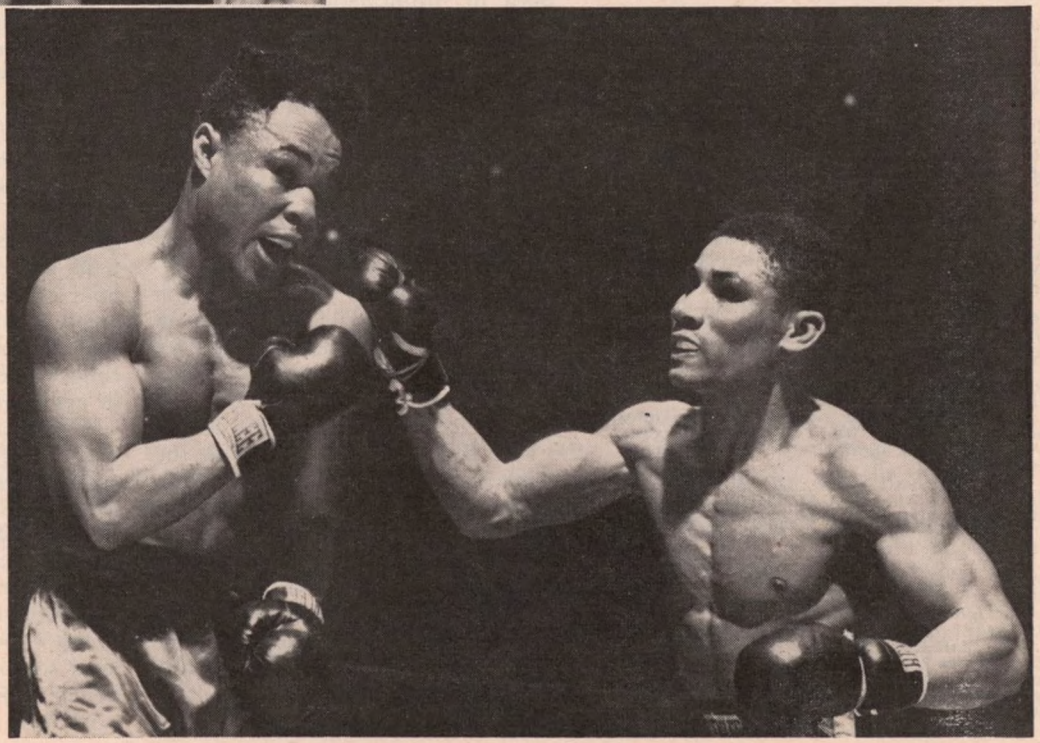


Below: Johnny Buff (right) and Pete Herman square off before their fifteen rounder for the world bantamweight title on September 23, 1921 at the Old Garden, in New York. In winning Buff added a second title to the American flyweight championship he held. Others in the photo (l. to r.) are ring announcer Joe Humphries; Sam Goldman, Herman's manager; and Tony Palazolo, Herman's trainer.



FAMOUS FIGHTS RECALLED

Veteran Henry Armstrong (left), one-time triple title holder, was on the comeback trail when he fought the youthful lightweight champion Beau Jack in a ten rounder at Madison Square Garden on April 2, 1943. Jack, who had been designated as the champion by the New York Commission following Sammy Angott's retirement, won the decision.



RATINGS

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Auburn Copeland stopped Felix Cervantes, 10. Chic Brogan acquired vacant Scottish title by outpointing Owen Reilly, 12. Chino Saavedra defeated Americo Rivera, 10, but lost to Ernesto Figueroa, 10.

Orlando Castillo outscored Prince Johnson, 10. Eddie Gaspora stopped Baby Rodriguez, 5. Andre Servin whipped Rafael Gallardo, 10.

Andre Valignat halted Jean Boulas, 4. Hilario Morales beat Genaro Serafin, 10, Genaro then beat Dusty Brown, 10.

Jet Bally won over Baby Brown, 10. Kid Irapuato kayoed Calvin Leigh, 8. Camacho Guzman beat lightweight Ciclon Alvarez, 10. Chino Gonzales beat Chano Barrientos, 10.

Jimmy Kelly stopped Johnny Juliano, 6. Juan Bishop and Jose Domingo Luna drew, 10.

Torito Jimenez stopped Henry Morales, 8. Martin Vazquez and Oscar Torres drew, 10. Herman Duncan stopped Bobby Robledo, 9, and Hank Aceves, 6.

Ramon Cervantes beat Luis Trejo, 10. Lionel Rivera stopped Bobby Pereira, 4. Chamaco Lopez stopped Moncni Lopez, 5.

Robert Meunier outpointed Belaid Meslem, 10. Johnny Shaw stopped Chichi Sanchez, 4. Wilfredo Gonzalez nodded Jose Beach, 8.

Gerry Simpson beat Gilbert Clave, 6. Flash Menny beat Oscar Reyes, 8, and Puyas Boy, 8. Tranquilino Martinez stopped Rene Arce, 4. Lee Bohles beat Wally Livingston, 6.

Harvey Charles defeated Juan Venegas, 6. Andre Valignat decisioned Jerome Licatesi, 8. Richie Robinson bested Joey Mazon, 6, and Frankie Salas, 10.

George Reiter stopped Jim Harris, 4. Mel Middleton stopped Ernie Twine, 1. Larry Fernandez defeated Kid Johnson, 8.

Luis Trejo defeated Rosendo Martinez, 8. Young Elano halted Puyas Boy, 6. Nicholas Rangel whipped Tony Raya, 6.

Sandy Alvarez and Panchito Duran, 6. Augusto Narvalla kayoed Julio Junco, 1, and won a foul from Baby Rosales, 6. Kid Chick defeated Efrian Santiago, 6.

Martin Rodriguez kayoed Ciro Morasen, 2. Paul Jorgensen outscored Ernesto Parra, 10. Boots Monroe stopped Willie Lucedo, 7.

Billy Walker decisioned Bobby Gray, 8. Gaby Paliotti stopped Young Gauthier, 3. Tony Corrales kayoed Babe Guzman, 4.

Tony Navarro kayoed Kid Bachomo, 4. Jerry Simpson beat Gilbert Clave, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Jose (Toluco) Lopez kayoed Memo Diez, 5. Joe Becerra outpointed Joe Nedel, 10.

Manuel Armenteros stopped Al Asuncion, 7. British Empire Champion Peter Keenan stopped Dick Currie, 10. (non-title).

French champion Eugene LeCozannet retained his title by beating Abd-el-Kader, Ernesto Miranda stopped Raul Jaime, 3, and beat Adolgo Pendas, 10. Azzouz, 15, South African Champion Graham van der Walt halted Boet Stander, 2.

Eduardo Guerrero defeated Raul Leanos, 10. Ray Ming Chan decisioned Kiyoshi Miura, 10. Manuel Rodriguez won over Efrain Quintana, 10. Efrain beat Tony Alamillo, 10. Luis Gutierrez kayoed featherweight Gil Nolasco, 7, and Chuy Waldo, 2.

Federico Scarponi outpointed Gianni Zuddas, 10. Italian Champion Piero Rollo was held to draw by Jose Luis Martinez, 10. Ray Martinez halted Rafael Sotelo, 8. Sexton Mabena kayoed Peter Moledi, 3. Nacho Escalante decisioned Ross Padilla, 10.

Nacho Escalante won on a disqualification over Eloy Sanchez, 10. Eric Brett drew with Terry Toole, 8. Arnulfo Palomares upset Alejo Mejia, 10. Kid Irapuato drew with Willie Parker, 10. Chaparro DeLeon won from Paco Mendez, 10.

Kildo Martinez won from Ruso Rodriguez, 10. Rudy Corona kayoed Kid Gallero, 2. Gino Tovar whipped Gerardo Isoba, 10. Agustin Campos whipped Cain Rogero, 10.

Walt Ingram beat Dean Plemmons, 6. Adrian Rojas kayoed Tomas Mendoza, 3, and Luis Garcia, 3.

Guillermo Gonzalez stopped Hector Agundez, 4, but lost to Rudy Corona, 10. Danny Valdez defeated Manny Elias, 6, and stopped Dick Page, 2.

Rocky Fontentte drew with Mike Rios, 6. Jorge Gomez won from Abel Pena, 8. Alberto Martinez whipped Chucho Arriola, 8. Ernie Paredes defeated Cagayan Boy, 6. Alex Jimenez beat Monito Luna, 8.

Alberto Sota and Tibico Torres drew, 8. Francisco Ortiz stopped Roberto Trevino, 3. Tuntun Torres beat Jose Galvan, 10.

Antonio Barcenaz won over Nicholas Reyes, 6. Sardito Guerra beat Martin Ortiz, 8.

Otto Martinez stopped Javier Gonzalez, 7. Raul Olmos beat Pablo Barrios, 8. Jose Oliva won from Jose Xiala, 6. Juan Cardenas whipped Robert Tartari, 10. Roman Rodriguez stopped Juan Jimenez, 5.

Dick Currie trounced Guy Schatt, 8. Antonio Diaz handed Johnny Morrissey his first defeat in eight pro bouts, 8.

Ray Escobar and San Juan Boy drew, 8, Boy then lost to Danny Brown, 8. Aurelio Reyna halted Custavo Carrera, 1.

FLYWEIGHTS

World Champ Pascual Perez kayoed Ricardo Valdez in 8 (non title). Pastor Gonzalez won from Hector de Vega, 6.

Spanish Champion Jose Ogazon decisioned British Empire title-holder Dennis Adams, 10.

Carlos Miranda kayoed Segundo Vera, 2.

Mario DeLeon outpointed Oscar Suarez, 12. Memo Diez was stopped by bantamweight Jose Lopez, 5.

Joe Medel lost to bantamweight Joe Becerra, 10. Ray Ruiz won from Javier Garfias, 10, and Chuy Rodriguez, 10. Saul Becerril halted Chocolate Barrera, 7, and outpointed Ignacio Perez, 10.

Goyo Flores stopped Juanito Mendoza, 10. Chiquis Rosales beat Reyaldo Tavio, 10.

Olympic Champion Terry Spinks posted his 13th professional victory by outpointing Scottish Champion George McDade, 8. Hector de la Vega stopped Moises Juarez, 8. James Hardman defeated Young Aquino, 10. Marcel Montoya whipped Chiquilin Torres, 10.

Alfonso Palma defeated Miguel Ulloa, 6. Mario Ortega defeated Julio Santamaria, 6. Juan Acebal beat Raul Lopez, 10. Hiram Bacallao stopped Elias Diaz Trejo, 5. Chucho Hernandez stopped Delfino Martinez, 6.

Edgar Basel suffered first pro defeat in 11 starts when outpointed by Pentiti Hamalainen, 6. Hector de Vega stopped Moises Juarez, 8. Rafael Correa stopped Rolando Urrutia, 1. Baby Demilliones drew with Baby Independence Jr., 8.

Viva Zapata defeated Leon Silos, 8. Young Bonnie bested Clever Perez, 6.

Angeles Alberto kayoed Baby Independence, 5. Roy Sison stopped Caloocan Boy, 2, but lost to Small Dave, 8. Lourdine Junior defeated Dommy Perez, 8.

NEW FACES

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fun, but now he is serious about making the grade in the square circle.

Although Dale Manz was twenty-four before he entered the professional ranks, the rugged New Plymouth, Idaho lad feels he still can reach the top. A slam-bang type of performer, he has become a favorite with the fans in Boise where he has rolled up nine straight wins since launching his career last spring, following four years service in the U.S. Navy.

Born in Minneapolis, Minn., Dale was raised in New Plymouth, where he began to box in high school, winning the district 118-pound title in 1949. He had 40 amateur fights, winning 36 and losing 4.

He enlisted in the Navy in 1952 and spent two years stationed on the Island of Guam. While in the Navy he did a lot of boxing and captured the following titles: Guam Naval base welterweight championship in 1952; Guam all-Navy welterweight championship in 1952 and 1953. He was runner-up for the Pacific title in 1953 and was voted best athlete on Guam for 1953.

Dale served twenty-six months aboard the USS Boxer (CUA-2) and won the welterweight and middleweight championships of the ship in 1954 and 1955.

He has scored six kayos in compiling his unbeaten streak and has turned back Alex Amador and Paul Perkins. and in his last fight kayoed Dick Lane to win the Idaho championship. A diligent gym worker, he fights both as a welter and middleweight, scaling between 152 and 155 for his fights. Fight fans around Boise have high hopes for this battling sailor. They hold the same high hope for young Glenn Burgess of Meridian, Idaho, a former teammate at Idaho State College of top ranking middleweight Ellsworth (Spider) Webb.

Glenn, like Dale, started boxing in high school and was on the varsity team for four years, winning District championships as a lightweight in 1951 and 1952. He earned a scholarship for boxing to Idaho State and gained a place on the team when a freshman in 1953. Beside Webb, who was his roommate, Ed Sanders of Olympic fame was a teammate at the Pocatello campus.

A stunning puncher, Glenn turned to pro fighting following his graduation and has won 9 of 11 bouts, scoring five kayos. A welterweight, his losses came at the hands of heavy middleweight Floyd Sampson and in his last fight he dropped a ten round verdict to Jay Fullmer at Salt Lake City. Jay, kid brother of ex-middleweight champion Gene, was rated a sure shot against Glenn, but had a tough time in remaining unbeaten against the aggressive Idaho slugger. The Fullmer fight was the first time that Glenn had fought more than six rounds and although beaten he made a fine showing and earned himself plenty of support in Utah.

Along with light heavyweight Roque Maravilla, Burgess and Manz are helping to bring back boxing in Boise and by 1959 should be top attractions in the Rocky Mountain and Northwestern states.

THE MAT WORLD

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FROM NEW JERSEY

By Vince Salerno

JOE MONTANA, The leathery matman of a thousand abstruse holds, is a Titan of the padded mat and a professional wrestling legend that will ring down the dimly-lit corridors of the game's history. Montana scales 217 and is six feet one and his favorite scientific hold is the crooked head scissors. Joe was born and raised in Columbus, Ohio, that endemic hotbed of Buckeye wrestling where they usually start wrestling in grammar school.

Montana was tutored in his craftsman's long apprenticeship in the arty abstruse craft of W-R-E-S-T-L-I-N-G by both Claude Swindell and Charley Gripp one-time welterweight champ from Latvia and later the Garden State of New Jersey. It was Charley Gripp who taught Joe to use with the punctiously-correct leverage 'the crooked head scissors' that hold of a thousand holds. Montana, with Fred Grubmier, worked as a factory guard at the New

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your mind? Are you crazy? Neither Dan nor Moran will consent to your silly plan though they need the money badly," I fairly shouted at Jack.

"Trouble! Crazy!", answered Johnson with a sneer, "Don't you know that McKetrick realizes I'm out of condition and will go the limit to have Moran beat me. The worst thing that can happen is that they will try to double-cross me in which case I'll win just the same because Moran won't get a sou."

I was in the middle. Here I was eager to stage a fight with these two top boxers, yet was aware of the consequences, which I naturally feared and I didn't know how to act. I began to think that Johnson wasn't the fool McKetrick figured him to be, thinking that he was broke and needed money badly.

I learned of McKetrick's trickery when I was informed by some sports reporters that Moran had been training faithfully for three weeks against the best available French heavyweights while Johnson was out until the early morning hours, guzzling up champagne in the Montmarte district. He hadn't put in two hours of active training since his arrival in Gay Paree.

McKetrick finally convinced Johnson that it was to his advantage to take Moran on in a twenty round fight without any strings' attached, for which Johnson would receive a good guarantee, and because of our friendship, Johnson gave his consent. He didn't engage in any boxing nor did he do any training for the fight.

Moran, a swell guy, told McKetrick that once he entered the ring, he would go all out for a knockout or at least a victory. And sure enough, as the men came into the ring. Moran, turning to Johnson, remarked:

"Sorry Jack, this bout is on the level. I'm going to beat you if I can."

"That's fair enough," snickered Jack.

I have watched thousands of ring battles, but never one that had less spectator appeal. When that first round got under way, it was obvious to me that Johnson would have to defend his crown in a 20 round contest without having had any preparation for it. It didn't seem possible to me that a world champion would be so stupid as to accept such an important engagement knowing he was not physically conditioned because wine, women and song had been his sole program over the weeks preceding the bout.

Johnson was hog fat. He was slow. Folds of fat showed over his belt. He weighed 220 pounds, far above his best fighting weight.

His opponent looked in the pink. He knew he had the chance of a lifetime and decided to take advantage of the situation. To Frank, as fine a character as I've ever known in the ring, the title was worth more than the purse and with luck, he hoped to get both the pot of gold and the crown, but Dame Fortune ruled against him.

Moran went out at the sound of the gong, fighting furiously in the hope that he could tire Jack in a hurry. Jack soon knew perfectly well what he was in for and he began in the early rounds to hold and lean on his opponent to force him to lose his strength. He clinched so often it became tiresome for the fans to see the referee continuously breaking the men. Moran was willing, but Jack was not and as a result, the crowd booed and hissed. So angered were the spectators that the referee frequently stopped proceedings to warn Johnson to stop holding and do some fighting.

In the first ten rounds Moran was the aggressor. He made many attempts to land, but few of his blows reached the mark because of Johnson's defense. As for Johnson, he kept wearing down his opponent without even attempting to strike too often, so you can imagine what kind of a championship fight this was.

JOHNSON SAVED HIMSELF SPURT IN FINAL ROUNDS

As the rounds progressed, Moran's swings went wild. He was a weary man. Johnson was often a foot or two out of range through clever shifting and fast footwork, and until the last few rounds, the champion seemed content to keep his man in line merely through cleverness, despite his poor physical condition.

When Johnson finally opened up, he handed his opponent many severe blows, but Moran never faltered. He kept coming forward. On several occasions Frank was rocked by uppercuts which he was unable to block. In a mix-up Moran landed a punch in the fourteenth round that was his best. It crashed against the champion's chin and almost toppled him.

But he paid dearly for this in the next few rounds when he bled profusely from nose and mouth. He was bleeding badly from a cut on the nose and on his lip and also from above the left eye.

From the fifteenth round to the finish Frank was unable to land a solid punch. It was then that Jack, realizing his position, cut loose with his reserve and rolled up a big lead to win each of those rounds and the bout. He saved his strength for a rallying finish and accomplished what he had set out to do—make his opponent helpless and then come through with a victory.

The final gong sounded. The crowd was in an uproar. When the referee held up the hand of Johnson in victory he received rousing cheers despite his bad performance for three quarters of the fight. He was popular and so was his victory. The Galveston Giant showed no marks when he walked out of the ring.

The next morning Johnson went to my friend, Mr. Vienne, the promoter, to see about the purse. He got his, then he said:

"You know what our agreement is?"

"Yes," replied Vienne, "but what shall I do with Moran's money?"

"Hold it," replied Jack. "We'll come back for the purse later, but remember, Moran and I must both be here and only I can sign the receipt for his money. I alone have that right under our contract."

Mr. Vienne nodded assent and Johnson and I and his nephew left the building, but Johnson never returnd.

Now here's the finish to this tale. Thirteen years after the fight which took place on June 27, 1914, I happened to be in San Francisco and who came to see me at the hotel but my dear old friend, Frank Moran, who is now a movie actor and who has appeared in many Hollywood productions.

"Leon," said he, "What happened to my purse for the Johnson fight? You know of course that I didn't get my money but Jack did. My money is still in the promoter's hands. Can't you arrange to get my share for me?"

"Frank," I said, "Mr. Vienne is now dead. Your money was in his safe. I know because he told me so. To get it, we would have to claim it from his heirs. But even if they had it, they couldn't release it to you because the contract read that the money could be turned over to you only when you and Johnson were present and Jack alone would sign the receipt for it."

"Can't you get Johnson and have him arrange for the signing so that I can get the dough?" he asked. "I'll let him have 25 percent. You can make it even 50 percent."

"I'm leaving for Chicago in a few days," I replied, "and I'll see Jack. Perhaps I can get him to oblige."

Well I visited Jack in Chicago. I met him in a gymnasium where he was selling his life story in booklet form. He was hard up. I told him Moran had said he would let Jack keep fifty percent of the purse if it could be collected.

"Fifty percent!" he snickered, go tell him if I could get the dough now by signing, which I know I can't, he'd be lucky if I gave him twenty-five percent."

When I returned to France I learned that even had Johnson, who is now dead, signed, the money no longer could have been collected.

That's the true story of Moran's Missing $20,000.

THE MAT WORLD

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York Shipbuilding Corp. during the second world war on vital anti-sabotage internal security work. Montana's life reads like an all-American colorful best-seller novel.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH

By Gene Gordon

Wrestling fans in Charlotte, N. C., have been seeing some of the top names on Monday night cards weekly.

The masked Great Bolo is the current headliner and has been undefeated at this writing. The mysterious grappler had a close call in a hectic bout with Mike Clancy as his face covering was slightly torn as their battle ended.

The Japanese star, The Great Mr. Moto, has returned to Charlotte after a long absence. His recent bout with Len Rossi was a thriller. It will be interesting to see him matched against The Great Bolo, George Becker, or some of the other fine wrestlers in this area.

Dick Steinborn was injured in a bout here recently. Steinborn is the tag team partner of George Becker and these two have been very successful as a team. Popular Gary Guerrero has made many fans stand up and take notice since his debut here and Freddy Blassie and John Smith are bitter enemies and their recent bouts in Knoxville, Tenn., ended in near riots. Seems that Blassie injured Al Smith, John's brother, in a match some time ago, and John and Freddy attempt to tear each other apart every time they come in sight of each other.

The Mighty Atlas is wrestling in Tennessee. He defeated Tommy O'Toole in his Knoxville debut there and he and partner John Smith lost a tag match to Freddy Blassie and young Joe Scarpa in their latest bout. Atlas once wrestled under his real name, Morris Shapiro, and is known as the strongest man in wrestling today. He's well known to mat fans, as he has appeared on TV many times.

Joe Scarpa, popular newcomer, has appeared in several Gunsmoke TV westerns. Scarpa has teamed with Freddy Blassie, who says Scarpa is one of the best young wrestlers he has ever worked with. Scarpa hails from St. Louis, Mo., weighs 220 lbs., has a scientific style. He is a fellow worth watching.

Gary has proved himself to be a fine wrestler since replacing Dick Steinborns as Becker's partner in team matches. Becker says Gary is one of the finest workmen he has ever seen. Their latest victory has been a win over Gypsy Joe and Kurt Von Hess.

Other well known names appearing in the South at this writing are Jim Austeri, Elephant Boy, Johnny Heidman, Tom Bradley, Crybaby Bob Corby, Jim La Rock, Duke Kemuka, Angelo Martinelli, Jock O'Reilly, and Luigi Macera. Chick Garibaldi also returned to make a local appearance and looked good in a close bout with Len Rossi. This was a scientific match that saw both men trying hold for hold with Rossi getting the victory after a hard fought match.

Ray Stevens recently lost his Southern Heavyweight Title to Tor Yamato in Birmingham, Ala. Jackie Nichols has returned to action after a long layoff due to injuries and is now appearing in the Atlanta, Georgia, area.

Tex Riley, Freddy Blassie, John Smith, Miguel Torres, Mark Stone, Guy La Rosa, and several newcomers like Joe Scarpo and Billy Wicks are keeping the wrestling fans in the Tennessee area flocking to arenas in Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga and Memphis.

PEN-NOTES

By Barry Lloyd Penhale

Lately I have been asked by fans if there are any promising new Canadian faces. Of course there are. As a matter of fact there are more aspiring young wrestlers in Canada at the present time, than probably any other period.

I would single out Emil Dupre of Moncton, New Brunswick, Red Lyons of Hamilton, Ontario, Bob Boyer of Montreal, Jimmy Rougeau of Montreal, John Foti of Regina, Saskatchewan and Ed Mangotich of Toronto, as the best of the current lot.

Dupre has won the hearts of fans in the Chicago area and appears to have a bright future. He's a well-muscled young lad, with a tremendous following among the ladies. Lyons joins the long, long list of matmen to emerge from Hamilton, Ontario, the City which along with Montreal has produced more top-flight wrestlers than any other center in Canada. The husky red-head is rising fast, is currently appearing on U.S. mat cards and exchanging grips with the best. Young Boyer is an ex-sailor and as nimble a Junior Heavyweight as I've ever seen. For a lad barely 200 lbs he shows no reluctance to take on the heaviest and with partner Don Lortie he had his inning as he bedazzled huge HANS HERMANN in a handicap match last year. Robert is an action plus wrestler and a worthy addition on any card.

Jimmy Rougeau of course has a real man-sized task ahead as he is following in the footsteps of his brilliant brother Johnny. But like Johnny, who is one of the games best, Young Jim is blessed with an equally fine physique, looks and mat know-how. The husky 225 lb. French-Canadian has gained immeasurably in experience under the watchful eye of Canadian Promoter Larry Kasaboski. It was for Kasaboski's Northland Wrestling Enterprises that Johnny first hit his top stride and Kas predicts younger Jimmy will do as well in time. Foti, the smiling mat hero from Regina is one of the finest young men to come along in a long while. John weighs 225 lbs, moves well and drop-kicks with the best. He has won the acclaim of fans already in many sections of the U.S. and his native Canada. Last on our partial list of promising new Canadians is a fellow who if given the chance can really become something.

I first saw ED MANGOTICH wrestle several years ago in a small club outside Toronto. He was just a youngster then, but I found myself spotting the moves of a real pro. In later matches he continued to bear out my belief that here was truly wrestling material. I haven't seen Mangotich for a long while, but in conversation a few months back with a retired grappler I was informed that the Toronto star is better than ever. Ed proved his worth in matches in Britain and has campaigned down Mexico way with similar success.

To complete this month's Canadian column I wish to tell fans of a newcomer to American and Canadian mat circles from Australia. He's KANGAROO KENNEDY, a powerful 220 lb former Aussie Boundary Rider. Born in Kempsey, Australia, Kennedy is 30 years old and stands five feet eleven. His folks own a 10,000 acre cattle and sheep station (ranch) in Australia and Clyde (real first name) has been used to heavy manual work. This has had a lot to do with molding his rugged physique.

The KANGAROO got into wrestling in an unusual way. He was showing horses and farm produce at an Annual Fair and decided to throw his lot in with the other comers who were tussling with a touring professional wrestler. Clyde made a good showing and was spotted by the transplanted Vancouver grappler Lee Jensen. Jensen, then the Aussie Champ, interested Kennedy in going to Newcastle for training in Lee's own gym. When ready Clyde made his mat debut in Northern N. South Wales and grappled to a DRAW with Tiger Harris. Kennedy was a 20 year old 190 pounder then. The time was 1947.

After engaging in preliminary matches with local wrestlers for six years, Clyde left home and landed in England in 1954. As a 200 pound matman he grappled there with Mike Marino, Jim Hussy, Tiny Mancelli, Jack Pye and The Ghoul. The Aussie's next stop was Canada and here he has increased his poundage to 220 lbs. KANGAROO KENNEDY has already appeared in Canadian matches and met with success when he recently toured Southern California. Due to a knee injury suffered in a Hollywood bout he has been off the mat a short while, but at the time of this writing is returning to action in U.S. mat circles.

With his mother and an oil painting likeness of his late illustrious father looking on, Marcel Cerdan Jr. elects to try his luck in the ring in his family's Casablanca tavern. He is seen greeting Jules Avernin (left), Spanish promoter and manager, who will supervise his boxing career.

FIGHTING FRENCH

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the slaughter and he went the full ten rounds, much to the admiration of his head-shaking opponent. Between that fight and 1952, Villemain fought 21 other bouts in the U. S., winning 15, losing four, and drawing in two others.

One of his other losses, an unpopular split decision to Jake LaMotta, resulted in unprecedented action by Eddie Egan, then Chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission. A whopping majority of boxing writers at the ringside had Villemain the winner of the March 25, 1949, scrap in the Garden. Three days later Eagan indefinitely suspended judge Harold Barnes and referee Harry Ebbets who had voted for Belloise. The penalty seemed unduly harsh.

Villemain gained his revenge on LaMotta December 9, winning a unanimous decision over the Bronx Bull at the Garden. Robert never was a great fighter but he was a good competitor and they never came any gamer.

Ray Famechon, the European featherweight champion, and a fine boxer, had the misfortune of running into the incomparable Willie Pep on one of the Will O' the Wisp's better nights. And when Willie was fighting in high, they didn't come any better. Fleet-footed Willie, defending his crown in the Garden, March 17, 1950, had the broad-shouldered Famechon so frustrated and bewildered, that Ray was on the verge of tears.

France appears to have developed more good middleweights than fighters of any other class. Maybe it only seems so because the 160-pounders have been dominating boxing in the last 15 years. Pierre Langlois arrived after Villemain and he worked his way up to a title fight with Bobo Olson, losing on a TKO in the 11th on cuts. Jacques Royer-Crecy was no sensation but he earned himself a small measure of fame by flooring Floyd Patterson before being stopped in the seventh round himself. That happened in 1954 when Patterson was beginning to grow out of the 160-pound division.

Bantamweight Alphonse Halimi, featherweight Cherif Hamia and middleweight Charley Humez arrived together early in 1956, members of Philippe Filippi's potent stable. Hamia, a dimple-cheeked, curly-haired, baby-faced youngster, and Humez, a swarthy, ring-scarred European champion, were the aces of the stable. Both were campaigning for world titles.

Hamia swept through Carmela Costa, Ike Chestnut and Miguel Berrios to earn the No. 1 spot in the 126-pound division when Sandy Saddler retired as champion because of an injured eye. These triumphs earned the classy Algerian a bye into the final round of the elimination tournament. He was stopped, however, by Nigeria's Hogan (Kid) Bassey, another outstanding newcomer.

Humez, a veteran of hundreds of amateur and pro battles, ran into hard luck in his two fights in New York. The one-time coal miner was cut both times in losing narrow decisions to Ralph (Tiger) Jones and Gene Fullmer.

While his stablemates were busy in the ring, Halimi wasn't able to get a fight. There weren't any good 118-pounders in the east to make a worthwhile match. Then the cocky little fellow caught a cold and sadly returned to France.

His return in 1957 was far different. This time the broad-chested gamester came as a partial holder of the world bantamweight crown. He had beaten Italy's Mario D'Agata in 15 rounds in Paris, April 1. Now he revisited as the star fighter to meet Mexico's Raul (Raton) Macias, the NBA-recognized king, for the undisputed world title at Los Angeles, November 6.

Alphonse was a revelation. He was even as good as he said he would be. A crowd of 18,385 (paying an American record of $209,331 for a bantamweight bout) and a nationwide television audience saw the 25-year old Algerian bomb the strength out of Macias' body for ten rounds and then box rings around the weary Little Mouse in the final five frames.

"He rates with the oldtimers," said Abe Attell, paying Alphonse the highest of compliments. Abe should know. He was featherweight champion in the era of great little fighters.

So when Lew Burston, foreign representative of the I.B.C. imports Lahouri Godih and Seraphin Ferrer, you know they will be either very good or pleasing to watch. Both are Algerian natives, like Hamia, Halimi and Cerdan, and both have compiled good records. Ferrer already is known in the U. S. for his fifth round kayo of Paddy DeMarco in Paris, Jan. 31, 1955, shortly after Paddy had lost the lightweight crown.

Maybe those we've mentioned don't rate with the greats but to a man they've all shown one fine quality—courage. Truly the Fighting French.

Dan Hodge of Wichita, Kansas lands a right to the head of Louis Coleman of Chicago as he fought his way to victory in the Western Golden Glove heavyweight finals at Chicago Stadium. Hodge a former intercollegiate and Olympic wrestler who turned to boxing a few months ago drew rave notices with his performances in marching to the title. An odd note was that Coleman reached the finals when his brother, who represented Kansas City, defaulted rather then fight Louis. Hodge leads a fine Western team against the Eastern stars lead by Olympic and National AAU star Jose Torres in the Inter-City matches which will be covered in our next issue. Don't miss a run down on the future ring stars.

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IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

REVERE — ROLLAWAY ARENA—CHICO VEJAR, 159½, STAMFORD, WON A lopsided ten round decision over Jackson Brown, 159, Boston. Vejar had too much experience for the 1956 National AAU champion.

Milton Epps, 167, Newark, N. J., upset Ray Drayton, 167, Roxbury, in the six round semi-final. Comebacking Willie Gray, 180¼, Boston, kayoed Lew Jacobs, 173½, Newark, in the fourth round. Dick DiVola, 125, Charlestown, impressed with a quick first round kayo over Paul Colbert, 129, Worcester. Gordon Parker, 136, Athol, another likely prospect, made short work of Bobby Cambra, 140, Boston, whom he stopped in the first round of the opener.

▶FORT FAIRFIELD — Armory—Gordon Farnsworth, 172, Bangor, won the vacant Maine lightheavyweight championship by stopping Pless Holmes, 174, Loring AFB, in the sixth round. Farnsworth had to get off the floor in the third round but dropped Holmes in the fourth, before he landed the finisher. A hard left hook high on Holmes' head dropped him for the full count.

Jarrell (Cobra) Pate, 150, Loring AFB, was hard pressed to win an eight round decision from comebacking Blaine Macomber, 152, Bangor. Pate got off to early lead and scored a knockdown in the second round but had to withstand a late round rally. Babe McCarron, 158, Presque Isle, halted Butsy Gallant, 156, Rumford, in the tenth round to successfully defend his state middleweight title.

▶HOLYOKE—Valley Arena—Barry Allison, 149, Springfield, routed Teddy (Red Top) Davis, 141, Hartford, Conn., in ten rounds. Allison hit the veteran almost at will and there were some rounds when Davis failed to respond with any punches of his own.

Prince Johnson, 128, Trenton, N. J., and Iggy Maldonado, 131, Puerto Rico, ended up all even after eight torrid rounds that 'stole the show'. Kid Chick, 120, Southwick, punched out a clear cut six round decision over veteran Ray Castillo, 126, Cuba. Herberto (Gil) Rivera, 141, Springfield, eked out a win over Angelo Vasquez, 138, Hartford, in a four round battle between a pair of transplanted Puerto Ricans. Bob Wiltse, 155, Springfield, turned in a workmanlike performance in stopping ill-conditioned Bimbo Fillione, 160, West Springfield, in the first round of the opener.

▶REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Joe DeNucci, 161½, 18 year old Newton High School student, continued his unbeaten streak by knocking out Charley Washington, 155, New York, in the fourth round of the feature eight rounder. A right and left to the head spilled Washington for the night.

The remainder of the card consisted of three eight round bouts: Jimmy Connors, 129¾, New Bedford, won an unpopular decision over Johnny Bean, 129¼, Brooklyn; Unbeaten Jimmy Kelly, 131¼, Lowell, won clearly over Johnny Johnikin, 135½, New York; and Joe Salvetto, 162, Yonkers, N. Y., scored an upset when he stopped Dick D'Orsi, 163, Providence, R. I.

▶PROVIDENCE — Arcadia—Ollie Wilson, 197½, Hartford, unloaded some heavy punches on highly ranked Charley Norkus, 200½, Newark, to stop him and score the upset of the month. Norkus nearly ended matters, himself, when he dropped Wilson in the third round. A solid right to the jaw dropped Norkus in the fourth, he arose feebly, but was unable to withstand the onslaught. Referee Ben Maculan intervened when it became apparent that Norkus was in no condition to continue.

Rudy Sawyer, 153½, New York, scored a two round knockout over Lee Williams, 160½, in the co-feature of ten heats. Jimmy McGinnis, 139, Prince Edward Island, handed a boxing lesson to Al Duarte, 143¾, New Bedford, in six rounds. Cardel Farmos, 177½, Boston, belted out Marcus Jones, 180½, Boston, in the first round; and in the opener, Johnny Fratus, 178½, Swansea, kayoed Lee Howard, 181, Boston, also in the first.

▶REVERE—Rollaway Arena—Tony Veranis, 149½, undefeated Bostonite, knocked out Rocky Ford, 147¼, Brooklyn, in the fifth round. A right to the jaw sent Ford down early in the session. A left hook dropped Ford for the count. He suffered a broken jaw and had several teeth loosened. Ford was removed to Massachusetts General Hospital for treatment.

Dick Hall, 159¼, Boston, another unbeaten youngster, got his 1958 campaign underway with a decision over Rudolph Bent, 152, British Honduras, in the eight round co-feature. Sam Edwards, 190¼, Bayonne, N. J., decisioned Willie Gray, 178¾, Boston, in six rounds. Bobby Barrett, 145½, Boston, won over Johnny Bradley, 147¾, New York, in four stanzas. In the curtain raiser, Gordon Parker, 134½, Athol, won a split four round decision over Angelo Vasquez, 139¾, Hartford.

▶PROVIDENCE — Arcadia—Chico Vejar, 159½, Stamford, Conn., carried all ten rounds in winning over a game but outclassed Bobby Dalton, 156, Hartford. Vejar was particularly effective with a left hook and by the eighth round had Dalton's right eye closed.

Joe DiPierro, 150, Woonsocket, rallied after a slow start to gain a split six round decision over Cisco Halley, 151½, Providence. Cardel Farmos, 178, Boston, repeated a previous win by taking a four round decision over Johnny Fratus, 175, Swansea. Tony Liquori, 138, Agawam, Mass., halted Ray (Butchie) Post, 139, Newport, in two rounds. Paul Leri, 148¾, Pawtucket, blasted Don Simmons, 143, Roxbury, into kayo defeat in the first round.

▶REVERE — Rollaway Arena—Rory Calhoun, 161½, White Plains, N. Y., scored a knockout in the fifth round over Young Beau Jack, 163¾, Dorchester. Calhoun had won the first four rounds easily. In the fifth he dropped Jack twice with left hooks, the second time for the count. Jack had also visited the canvas in the second round.

Milton Epps, 163, Newark, N. J., again took a six round decision over Ray Drayton, 168, Roxbury, in the semi-final. Al Rose, 149¼, Brookline, belted out Steve Green, 153, East Lynn, in the second heat of a four. Dick DiVola, 126, Charlestown, outpointed Bob Shaughnessy, 122, Roxbury, in the four round opener.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS
By Billy Shaw

JOEY LOPES, SACRAMENTO LIGHTWEIGHT, STYMIED at least temporarily, Damasco Collazo's ambitions to belt his way to top ranking in the division, when Joey took an easy ten round decision over the Cuban, at the War Memorial Auditorium. Callazo was a last minute replacement for Paolo Rosi, the Italian puncher, who was forced to withdraw because of a heel infection. Nationally televised, the fight lacked action at times because Callazo did not seem sure of himself. When Damasco did cut loose he showed plenty of ability. Winner of 15 bouts in a row, dating back to 1955, Collazo seemed to be nervous, tense and "tied up." At other times he showed flashes of fistic genius.

It wasn't that Damasco was not sure of himself. The Cuban was in good fighting trim but he just didn't seem able to fathom the fast stepping, onward surge of Lopes who rifled lefts and rights off Collazo's noggin with monotonous regularity. Damasco simply let Joey take the play away from him.

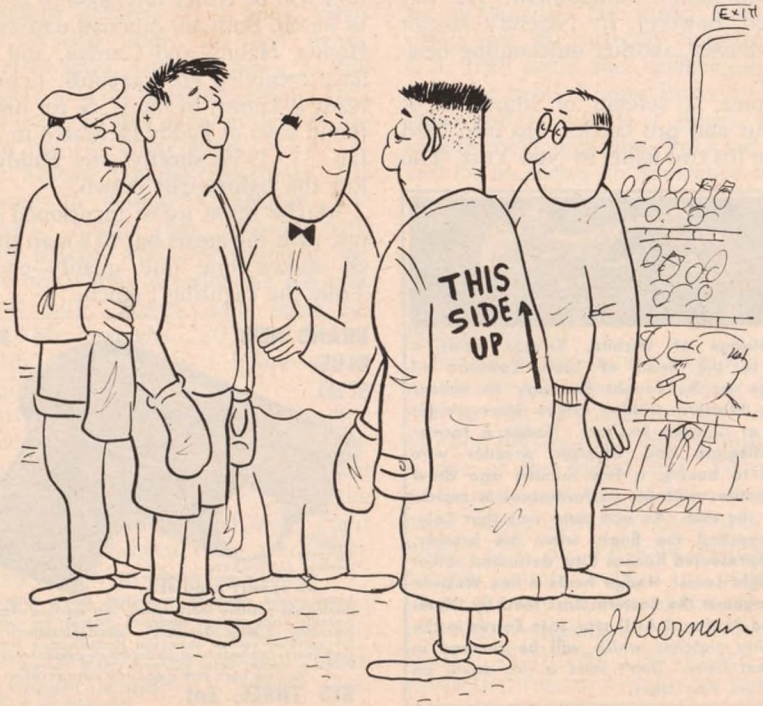
As usual, the preliminary bouts provided plenty of thrills. It was a card deserving of better patronage. Promoter Norm Rothschild of the Arena Boxing Club announced the slim turnout of 784 fans paid $1,376 to see it. A blizzard kept many "regulars" away.

A four rounder had the fans yelling every second as Obie Spencer, 165, Syracuse mute, and Tommy Della Rocca, 159, Binghamton, took turns putting each other on the verge of a knockout. It was Obie's first fight but he fired away with all the zeal and power of a man used to knocking opponents for a loop from the first bell. Finally Della Rocca dropped Spencer for the full count, just 30 seconds after the fourth round started. Wally (Young Kid Chocolate) Livingston, 126, Trenton, N. J., ran into a bundle of dynamite in the person of Lee Bohles, 127½, of Buffalo. It was a fast, interesting contest with Bohles landing the harder punches to win a six round decision. In a give-and-take six that also kept the fans in an uproar, Gene Tortorice, 145, Niagara Falls, was awarded the verdict over Jimmy Kelley, 142, Philadelphia.

Moses (Kid) Walker, 175, Midge Mangicaro's blossoming star, looked very good in disposing of Zeke Long, 174, Buffalo, in 2-40 of the third round. Tommy Holmes, 148½, Binghamton, punched faster to win a four round slugging session from Henry Berry, 150, elongated Syracusan. Danny Livingston, brother of Wally, 133, was presented with the decision over Al Simmons, 133, Syracuse. Simmons plastered Livingston with everything but the overhead lights and by the look on Livingston's face at times, he must have felt as if the lights came down and hit him too. This was the weirdest verdict we ever saw rendered. Simmons actually won all the way.

▶Because he had to make his climb to success the hard way, Carmen Basilio has made more friends throughout the world, than any boxer in many years. The middleweight champion receives the heaviest mail of any athlete ever produced in this section. Co-managers, Johnny DeJohn and Joe Netro, informed this pillar Basilio finds it hard to cope with the many requests he receives. Carmen's wife Kay and the champion devote as much time as they can to personally answer all his letters.

▶LEFT-HOOKS—Paul Barkal, Phil Serlin's young middleweight prospect, has entered Uncle Sam's Air Force and will do no more boxing until next September . . . He expects to be stationed at Mitchell Field, on Long Island . . . The boxer is again suffering from a broken right hand, received in his last outing . . . Mike DeJohn, Syracuse heavyweight hopeful, has been training at Miami Beach, Fla., in the Carmen Basilio camp . . . Rothschild would like to pit Big Mike against Bob Baker, Alex Miteff or Julio Moderos . . . Nice stories on Basilio by Nat Loubet and The Fighting DeJohns by Murray Goodman in the March issue of The Ring . . . If you missed it, get it . . . We would like to call the attention of fans all over the world who have written in requesting programs of Syracuse fights . . . If you have not received yours yet, write again. Write, Billy Shaw, Sr., 631 Park Avenue, Syracuse 4, New York . . .



DESPERATION FIGHTERS

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The bout at the Polo Grounds grossed $767,626.17, a record for other than heavyweights, but that isn't the story.

Sugar Ray was badly cut over the left eye. He knew he could not go much further, perhaps not another round. So he turned it on. Robinson went all out, never stopped punching, and had Turpin covered up, his back to the ropes, and out on his feet.

If Randy had gone down he might have lasted out the round. He stayed on his feet as punch after punch crashed against his jaw. Ruby Goldstein, the referee, decided enough was enough. He leaped in and pulled Robinson away.

Sugar Ray was champion again, the winner in the 10th. Had Turpin survived Robinson's attack and come up for the next round the result, and fistic history, might be different.

Over and over again Robinson has shown he is never more dangerous than when he is desperate. His title regaining effort with Gene Fullmer is just another example. Fullmer had won their previous bout, and for four rounds at Chicago had held his own while standing up under Sugar Ray's heavy blows.

There was doubt about the 36-year-old Robinson being able to go the 15 round distance, and then it happened. A right under the heart was followed by a left to the jaw, and Sugar Ray was back on the middleweight throne.

Years after the fight James J. Corbett wrote about his fight with James J. Jeffries, the first one, that ended with Gentleman Jim counted out in the 23rd round. With the 22nd round completed all Corbett could see was big posters proclaiming him "Champion of the World Again."

From Jeff's corner came the advice: "The only way you can win is knock him out." Corbett was well in front, and there were only three more to go.

"All the while I was seeing in my mind's eye those wonderful posters and electric lights," Corbett wrote in his book "The Roar of Crowd." With the gong Corbett relaxed, dancing here and there.

"The next thing I saw was not the electric lights, but a hand holding smelling salts under my nose," Corbett continued. "I was in my corner, sprawled out on a chair."

"What is it?" he asked.

"Jim, you were knocked out," he was told.

What had happened was Corbett, bouncing off the ropes, had run into Jeffries left. Again a desperate champion had saved his title. It has happened over and over again.

Archie Moore figured in another of those come from behind victories, defending the world light-heavyweight title against Harold Johnson. Ancient Archie was outpointed for 13 rounds. It seemed obvious he had weakened himself making weight.

"Don't worry," Moore said to Charley Johnston, his manager, in the corner. "The next round I'll take him."

In the next round, the 14th, Moore knocked Johnson out.

The first two Tony Zale-Rocky Graziano fights were desperate battles. Both were down in the first round, but Rocky's blows were doing the most damage. It ended in the sixth when Zale stretched him, but in the dressing room afterwards the winner could have been mistaken for the loser.

The terrific heat in the Chicago Stadium on the night of their second fight may have been the deciding factor. Rocky was cut in the fourth, but stayed in there, and with Zale near collapse the referee stopped it in the sixth. Zale made it look easy in their third fight.

The ill-fated Marcel Cerdan made a desperate try defending the middleweight crown against Jake LaMotta, but misfortune overtook him early. An injury to what the doctors called his elevator muscle made it impossible for Cerdan to raise his left arm. He took a beating through the 10th round.

Another desperate fighting man was Henry Armstrong. Already featherweight and welterweight champion, Armstrong challenged for the lightweight title held by Lou Ambers. Ambers' short, jolting uppercuts, delivered at close range cut Henry's mouth badly. Blood streamed from his mouth, but round after round he kept forcing the battle.

After 15 savage rounds Armstrong was declared the winner of the brutal battle. The decision made him the first man to hold three world titles simultaneously, and the second man to have won three titles. The other was Bob Fitzsimmons, who at different times during his career was middleweight, heavyweight and light-heavyweight champion in the order named.

Armstrong never stopped trying. Losing the welterweight title to Fritzie Zivic he pitched forward on his face, but not until after the gong had sounded ending the 15th and final round. As the last of his titles slipped away Henry was completely exhausted.

Miteff passed one of the tests of his young career, when with his nose slashed and his face smeared with blood, he was asked by Dr. Alexander Schiff: "Do you want to stop?"

The answer was "No."

TV & BOXING

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work for the exchange of live TV programs, and now the fight from Cuba to America, coupled with the facts that at the year's end there will be about 610 TV station in operation overseas, with 22 million sets in use, plus another 2,650,000 in Canada and America's 41 million, global TV is, as the man put it, "just over the horizon."

Cuba has long been televising their local fights. Two promoters alternate on Saturday nights and the government owned TV stations pay the promoters $1,700 per show for TV rights.

Another first was added to TV boxing's fast growing list when Ralph (Tiger) Jones and Kid Gavilan tangled (not tangoed)at the Carillon Hotel's plush Club Siam (Miami Beach), seen over the ABC-TV network.

Amid mattress-soft carpets, a crowd of 1,258, plus life-sized statues of Siamese dancing girls looked on in the glittering surroundings where recently Jack Paar's Tonight Show and the Ames Brothers had performed.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

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Memphis NAS, Tenn. . . . A recent smoker here featured the introduction to boxing of heavyweight Bruce MacDonald. The 185-pound Marine sparred and then threw his first solid punch—a tremendous knockout right to his opponents solar plexus, and his 20-pound heavier foe fell as if axed.

One punch, one round, one fight, one victory.

Inter-service reports . . . Joe Flood, Memphis Navy boxing coach, has made his last appearance in the ring. Doctors have ruled out further fighting for Joe because of hemophilia . . . Ft. Eustis, Va., has been Second Army mitt champion for four years . . . Don Hullinger, Ft. Knox, Ky., light-middleweight pride, was a 1957 National AAU titlist . . . Sam Steamboat, a translation of his Hawaiian name Mokuahi, at Ft. Hood, Texas, is the Texas heavyweight wrestling champion and a personal protege of grappler king Lou Thesz . . . In two consecutive fights, Ft. Knox, Ky., slugger Terrell Pruitt fought a total of 46 seconds. A one-punch victory in the finals of the Armor Center boxing tournament used up 10-seconds; the night before Pruitt achieved a first round TKO in 36 seconds . . . It isn't likely that Spike Webb, famed Navy boxing coach, could ever be forgotten at Annapolis; just to make sure, Slade Cutter, undefeated as a Middie boxer and now director of athletics at the Naval Academy, bought a memorial chair in the Academy's new football stadium in honor of Webb.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

CONTINETAL BOXING APPEARED TO GAIN A NEW lease of life in February and important programs were staged in most parts. Most of the European champions were in action, with Ingemar Johansson establishing himself by handing a whale of a hiding to Joe Erskine; Humez edging out Scortichini, Calzavara losing to Uwe Janssen and being halted by Mike Holt in S. Africa and D'Agata and Loi partaking in non-title frays. Loi was badly rattled by Manfred Neuke and was held to a draw by the young German who was just in his 15th pro start.

Schoppner made himself No. 1 in Europe by icing Willi Hoepner in a sensational battle which does not, however, rule out the latter as a dangerous foe for future contests. Wohlers made a great impression in his drawn bout with Pat McAteer. Before going on to individual results, we must point out that Martin Hansen, not Leen Jansen, was the winner of their middles clash reported last month.

▶ **Gothenburg,** Sweden:—There was a full house here for Ingemar Johansson's much-publicized fight with Joe Erskine of Cardiff. Chief reason for the publicity was the fact that Joe's name had been bandied around as a prospective opponent for Floyd Patterson this summer, though the Welshman was personally against such a proposition. Just as well, since Johansson hit Erskine with every punch in the book and the British champion was not once in the picture. Apart from the third round, which saw Erskine land a hard right to the Swede's jaw, the Welshman had no answer to the heavy series of punches thrown over by the speedy and efficient Swede. He hammered Erskine from one corner of the ring to the other without much interference from his opponent and the only wonder is that the Cardiff fighter kept on his feet for so long. Despite protests from the game Welshman, the fight was stopped at the end of the thirteenth and Johansson remains still undefeated and still champion of Europe.

Olle Bengtsson made a farewell appearance, losing on points to tearaway Phil Edwards of Wales in a rugged middles six and Torner Ahsman pounded Allan Hand, British heavyweight, to defeat over the same distance. In two bantam sixes, Werner Wasen won over Marcel Watel and Idrissa Diop of France nodded the Hungarian refugee, Lojos Flesser.

▶ **Ancona,** Italy—Federico Scarponi won very narrowly here over Gianni Zuddas in a good bantam ten while Gheri Fretzghi whipped Ballarini in a welter eight. Lionetti drew with Elio Busetto in a lightweight six though the latter did enough to win.

At **Grosseto,** Massimo Zanaboni made it eight straight wins by outscoring the wily French heavy, Maurice Mols, over eight rounds.

At **Udine**—Giulio Vottero made his pro debut by fighting a draw with the Roumanian middle, Jean Falescky, over six rounds and Caro Izzo drew with Cavagna in a features six.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—It was the end of the trail for the gypsy, Pedro Antonio Jiminez, who lost over ten hard rounds here to young Milan de la Cuerda in a middles ten. Santos Seoane nodded Francisco Segura in a bantam eight.

At the Gran Price, **Barcelona,** southpaw Antonio Rius fought a draw with Francisco Guillen in a feathers eight and in **Madrid,** once more, Bergentino Cunada bested Nando Guerra in a lightie eight.

▶ **Ostend,** Belgium—Adrien Verbrugh returned to action here with a points win over Claude Duponchel in a cruiser eight while at **Bruges,** Carl Van Neste, former amateur star, nodded Rene Brunet of France in a middles eight.

At **Courtrai**—Gerard Alloo trimmed Rudi Christiaens in a lightie ten.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—Subbing at the last minute for Giancarlo Garbelli, Mario Vecchiatto sprang a surprise at the Sports Palace by soundly defeating the Cuban Flash, Orlando Zulueta. The Italian won by a comfortable margin over ten rounds.

Rocco Mazzola, national cruiser king won easily over Hamouda Bouraoui, who did not answer the bell for the fourth round but Artenio Calzavara, who is the European champion, made another poor showing to lose unexpectedly to Uwe Janssen, the German cruiser, in a non-title ten rounder. Santo Amonti won clearly from Gino Menozzi, French middle, over eight rounds and Germano Cavalieri trounced Mario Calcaterra in a fast lightweight eight. Franco Pinto drew with Aldo Chiesa in a middles six.

▶ **Helsinki,** Finland—In the best professional show yet held here, Pentti Hamalainen won handily over the German flyweight star, Edgar Basel, in a rattling good eight-rounder. In the second heat, Basel was suddenly floored but regained his feet to backpeddle out of danger and it was thanks to his speed that the German did not suffer further knockdowns.

The Finnish kayo king Pekka Kokkonen, found Dieter Wamhoner too experienced for him. The German won every round although the Finn wound up still rushing in to put across his Sunday wallop. Olavi Ouvinen won narrowly over Wolfgang Bohnert in six, and Pentti Rautiainen trimmed Tony Van Eyk, a Dutchman, over eight rounds. Proof of the popularity of boxing in Finland is that this show was held the day after a Finland-Germany amateur program had been held in the same hall. The attendance was 6,167—a full house.

▶ **Tours,** France—Robert Pollazon retained his national flyweight title here by comfortably outscoring Henri Schmid over fifteen rounds and will thus go on to meet Young Martin for the European laurels.

Pierre Guericher licked Maurice Grignon in a bantam eight. Gate was 5,000 at the new Sports Palace.

▶ At **St. Almo**—Jacques Dugenie returned to action with an easy victory over Henri Cabelduc who was halted in the third round of a welter slam.

In **Paris**—Nicolas Beaugrand beat Jean Michaud and Francis Da Sylva edged Denis Flores, both eight-round quarter-finals for the Assane Diouf Belt while at the Central, Michel Clavel scraped through with a victory over Cyprien Carrie in a good welter eight.

At **Nevers**—Jean Debondant suffered his first pro reverse when defeated by Armand Meyer in a hard welter eight.

▶ **Paris**—At the Salle Wagram there was blood on the deck when Juan Cardenas came to do battle with dour Robert Tartari. The Spaniard, intended to wipe up Tartari in a couple of heats and tore into the Parisian at the opening bell. But rugged Robert soaked up the barrage and slung back a solid right, which opened up the claret from Cardenas' nose. Henceforth, for ten rounds, Cardenas bled like a stuck pig but this did not prevent him hammering the game Tartari with commendable accuracy, to win via the points route. At the Central, Andre Valignat stopped Jean Boulas in the fourth heat of a feathers larrup and Claude Cordier-Galetti shared honors with Mohamid Taibi in a middles eight.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—After a lengthy career, Luis Romero finally bade farewell to boxing after losing an eight round tussle with young Jose Bonilla, the up and coming feathers prospect. Manolo Correa retained his middles title against Vicente Serra over twelve rounds, while Francisco Frances trimmed Perez Ros in a middles eight. Frank Garcia did well to stop Hervas in the fifth round of a lightie affair. Later, at the same venue, Ramon Garriga, Catalan lightweight champ, found that his punch was cancelled out by the skill and speed of Jose Cadalso and the two foes shared the verdict after eight hard rounds.

▶ **Rome,** Italy—The imperfections of Cavicchi as a prospective challenger for Johansson were shown up by Emile Vidal, the powerful French heavy, at the Sports Palace. Franco began well, dropped Vidal for "8" in the second round but the stocky Frenchman came back no whit deterred and began to hammer Cavicchi. The visitor gradually got the upper hand and was clearly the master of the situation by the tenth round. The verdict went to Cavicchi and unleashed a storm of boos.

Letterio Petilli laced Sergio Milan in a feathers eight, Ugo Milan stopped Roberto Spina in the seventh heat of a bantam slam and Ottavio Panunzi won over Aldo Brunetti in the third of a cruiser outing, when the latter was ruled out for butting. De Martino whipped Zolla in a welter six and Maciarello trimmed Stefano in a lightie four. There was a full house.

▶ **Abidjan,** French West Africa—There were first-class sensations here when local idols entered the ring against imported Europeans. Jules Toujan was right on top of his form against the stylish Italian feather, Altidoro Polidori and ripped away at the visitor with scintillating series of punches. Polidori remained in his corner at the call for the sixth round, complaining of a thumbed eyeball. But the performance of Yao Kouame was perhaps more striking. Gilbert Chapron arrived in Africa with an impressive record but Kouame was not impressed. He countered the classic moves of Chapron for six rounds, put on the pressure in the next heat and overwhelmed the French star in the eighth with a storm of punches. At terrific speed, Kouame threw over a left hook to the temple, followed in a flash with a one-two to the

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING MARCH 20, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Emilio Marconi (I)
2. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)
3. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Gerhard Hecht (G)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
4. Wm. Besmanoff (G)	Wim Snoek (H)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
5. Mino Bozzano (I)	Charles Colin (F)	Max Resch (G)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
6. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Andre Drille (F)	Gunter Hase (G)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Valere Benedetto (F)
8. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Artenio Calzavara (I)	Leen Jansen (H)	Fortunato Manca (I)
9. Hans Friedrich (G)	Yao Kouame (F)	Michel Diouf (F)	Ben Buker II (S)
10. Jose Gonzales (S)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Francois Anewy (F)	Maurice Auzel (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Lahouri Godhi (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Aristide Pozzali (I)
3. Felix Chiocca (F)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Jose Ogazon (S)
5. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Jean Guerrard (F)
6. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Edgar Basel (G)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Jules Touan (F)	Eugene Le Cozanet (F)	Andre Gasperini (F)
8. Mario Padovani (I)	Giordano Campari (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Henri Schmid (F)
9. Germano Cavalieri (I)	Altidoro Polidori (I)	Abdelkader Azzouz (F)	Ben Ali (S)
10. Manfred Neuke (G)	Louis Poncy (F)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Francisco Carreno (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

jaw which stretched the elegant Chapron out for the count.

▶ **Hassloch,** Germany—Professional boxing made a favorable debut here, with ref Max Schmeling as the main attraction. Ulli Ritter, 202, won clearly over eight rounds against Horst Herold, 205, and Herbert Schilling, 144, sent the Dutch novice, Jan De Vos, no less than seven times to the canvas without knocking him out, in a six-rounder. In further sixes, Conny Rudoff, 134, won a close affair from Jan Nyenkamp of Holland and Joe Buck got the better of Walter Lembgen, 132. Nels Oostrum nodded Lothar Heimann in a middles four to gain the only Dutch victory. Attendance was 3,000.

▶ **Basle,** Switzerland—This city put the Alpine Republic bang on the boxing map with a first-rate program starring Duilio Loi and Manfred Neuke. The Italian appeared to take the bout rather lightly and this fact, coupled with such factors as Neuke's southpaw stance, his ambition and his gameness, enabled the young German champion to gain a draw against Loi. Neuke kept up with the Italian star, point for point, until in the last three rounds Loi was seen to be desperately fighting to prevent a defeat. On several occasions, Loi was pinned helplessly against the ropes and the verdict was well received. Mino Bozzano, another Italian star, likewise had some trouble with a German foe, Ossi Buttner, but won after eight hard rounds. Ulli Ritter stopped fat Max Marsille of Belgium in the fifth while Nazareth Kounahalian, a Lebanese fighting out of Germany, was stopped in five by Jeanpierre Ullmann, French welter. Horvath, a Hungarian cruiser, beat Herman Schweizer in a six-rounder. Attendance was 7,000.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—At the Principe Theaater Annibale Omodei won over Nino Manconi in a lightie eight and Geroso beat Gaudenzio Carutti in a bantam six.

▶ **Modena**—Gino Rossi scored a points win over the Spanish middle, Domingo Lopez, over ten rounds. Mario Jacomini stopped Bottoni in the opening round of a lightweight scrap and Striani nodded D'Angelo in a welter six. Fioravente Merlo licked Franco Antonini in a lightie six.

▶ **St. Nazaire,** France—Charles Colin successfully defended his national cruiser title, for the seventh time, by defeating Jacques Bro over fifteen hard rounds. Rene Libeer licked Chameroy in a feathers six. At **Marseilles,** Andre Drille proved that the Humez defeat had not impaired his skill by obliging Louis Trochon to retire in the fourth round of their middles maul. Rafiu King, the Nigerian feather, created a sensation by knocking out Mohamed Omari in the sixth round, to such good effect that Omari was taken to hospital, where he regained consciousness. Giuseppe Marotto won a narrow verdict from the blond Spanish lightie, Bobby Ros, over eight rounds.

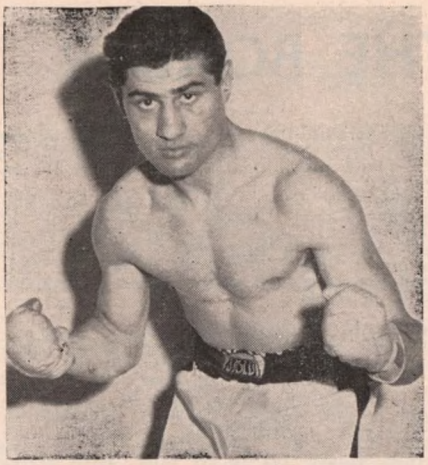
▶ **Lyons,** France—Andre Vairolatto, feathers comer, handed out a real pasting to Henri Corbanese, who was finally taken out of action during the tenth. In a bantam affair, Jacques Gollomb decisioned Rene Beolet over eight and at **Vierzon** Tony Garcia got the better of Gerard Alloo, Belgian lightie, in ten.

▶ At **Mont de Marsan,** the Spanish welter clouter, Kid Chele, easily whipped Raoul over eight rounds. At **Coutances,** Eugene Le Cozannet, current bantam king, was surprisingly held to a draw by Roger Cappato over ten rounds and displayed little of a champion's class.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—The latest bantam find, Santos Seoane, stopped Manolin Hernandez in the ninth round of a torrid battle here, while Garcia Hidalgo, cruiser prospect, drew with Juan Amaya, over eight rounds. Ricardo Navarro drew with Rafael Gayo in a feathers eight.

▶ **Oldenburg,** Germany—Gustav Scholz had some trouble in finding an opening against Michel Masson but finally caught his man in the seventh with a left hook and the French middle was counted out. Dieter Wemhoner stopped Ali Belkacem in the third of a cruiser sortie and Edgar Basel outscored Ray Benard in a bantam eight. Heinz Borzoskowski from Danzig could only draw with tough Gerhard Moll in a middles six and Charles Yates, an American, easily whipped Klaus Miska in a welter six. The attendance was around 4,000.

▶ **Paris**—All efforts to boost the stock of Germinal Ballarin seem fated to miscarry. Against the fast American globe-trotter, Jimmy Martinez, the French middles star appeared very lucky to come away with a drawn verdict. The Yank dominated the first half of the bout and Ballarin first really got going during the ninth and tenth, when he caught Martinez with several telling punches. But neither fighter made much impression and the drawn verdict was considered generous in Ballarin's favor. Two other Americans featured on the same bill at the Sports Palace and Parisians were taken with Ted Wright, who outpointed Sauveur Chiocca, tricky Corsican middle, in a good ten-rounder while Charley Douglas lost out to young Felix Chiocca in a hotly disputed lightie ten. The latest feathers prospect from Tunisia, Guizani Rezgui, who recently upset Sauveur Benamou, achieved another good performance at the expense of Guy Gracia, who was well defeated in another lightweight ten.



Giancarlo Garbelli, Italian welterweight champion, who is undefeated in his last eight outs, Larry Baker being his latest victim.

▶ **Cambrai,** France—Lucien Menu became the new middles champion of Flanders by flattening Poiret in the sixth round and at **Pau,** Jacques Nervi, the Italian welter guesting in France, licked Marcel Guyon over ten rounds.

▶ **Courtrai,** Belgium—Louis Van Hoeck reaffirmed his leadership of Belgian lightweights by trouncing Daniel Cobe over twelve rounds here while Andre Cottyo could only share honors with ancient Robert Eugene in a heavyweight eight. At **Chistelles,** Eugene Servais likewise split the decision with Roger De Schepper in a lightweight eight.

▶ **Rome**—An obvious challenger for European honors is Bruno Visintin, who took less than two rounds to dispose of the tough Belgian welter, Pierre Wouters. The visitor took three counts and was saved from a certain kayo by his corner slinging in the towel. Sergio Caprari, nifty southpaw feather, boxed rings around Rene Barriere of France to win hands down over ten and Domenico Baccheschi stopped Camporese in the third heat of a cruiser slam. Gheri Fretzghio, the Lion of Ethiopia, won clearly over Franco Vescovi in a welter eight and Tony Borraccia laced Mangiarelli in a feathers eight. Finally, Angelo Brisci nodded Aristide Dal Piaz in a middles eight.

▶ **Cremona,** Italy—Piero Freschi was hooted out of the ring after his poor display against Jose Crespo, the Spanish feather, who won a one-sided eight rounder. At **Turin,** Carlo Mola upset Chiaffredo Allasia in his pro debut, winning easily in a cruiser six. At **Cagliari,** Piero Rollo was still unable to overcome his bete noir, Jose Luis Martinez of Spain in a sharp bantam ten and could only achieve a draw against the elusive and crafty Spaniard. Rollo was still suffering from influenza when he entered the ring. Fortunato Manca, who now boasts an impressive record, added the scalp of Scotland's own Jimmy Croll, winning in a good welter eight while Randazzo licked Walter Cozzani in a welter eight. Salvatore Boi outscored Angelo Idi in a middles six.

▶ **Chalons sur Marne,** France—After a turbulent and lengthy career, Jacques Herbillon was finally able to bring the welter title home to his native province of Champagne, but at the cost of a terrible whaling from champion Val Benedetto. Herbillon attacked continually for the first ten rounds, winning most of them, but his left hand cracked in the eleventh and, deprived of his chief asset, he became a target for the powerful hitting of Benedetto. The bout was extremely close and both men wound up utterly exhausted. Robert Meunier outpointed Belaid Meslem in a close bantam eight.

▶ **Paris**—At the Central, Andre Valignat won comfortably over Jerome Licatesi in a feathers ten and at the Stadium, Roger Jaccaud stopped Chedeville in the second heat of a welter clash and Assane Fakyh of Lebanon nodded Briois in a lightweight eight. At **Limoges,** Jacques Belon drubbed Roland Friant in a welter ten and at **St. Brieuc,** Idrissa Dione was finally, after so many close decisions against him, awarded a victory over the local welter, Gaston Mathieu in ten rounds.

▶ At **Blois,** the German southpaw, Erwin Hack, deserved more than a split decision against the colored cruiser, Ahmed Boulgroune, the Iron Man of France, in a good ten-rounder. Andre Oueille made a comeback at **Dijon,** stopping Ceslaw Dudek in the eighth of a middles encounter.

▶ **Jemappes,** Belgium—Richard Bouchez regained some lost ground here by clearly outpointing the rugged French middle, Jean Ruellet, over ten in a return bout. Emile Delmine looked useful in disposing of another Frenchman, Henri Buyle, in a middles eight.

▶ **Milan,** Italy—Italo Scortichini came another step closer to dethroning Charles Humez when he was again very narrowly outscored by the European champ, over ten rounds. Humez took some time in warming up and had to work hard to gain something of a lead in the first eight rounds. But in the last two heats, the Italian tore in with both hands and belted the Lion of Flanders furiously. Humez was hard pressed but never flustered and replied with telling uppercuts which landed with good effect. Nevertheless, it was a close affair.

Jose Gonzales threw a spanner into the work by stopping highly-touted Massimo Zanaboni with a cut eye in the seventh round of a good heavyweight slam and Sergio Caprari edged Bobby Bell, American feather, over ten. Aristide Pozzali whipped Tore Burruni in a good flyweight eight and Torreggiani stopped Furio in the second frame of a welter dispute. The attendance at the Sports Palace was about 6,500.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—At the Gran Price, Riquelme looked good in soundly whipping Hamida, the Moroccan southpaw, in a hard welter eight. At **Saragossa,** Antonio Lopez Durban fought a draw with Jose Sauret, though the crowd booed the decision, as Sauret had made most of the action. Couto won over Romana in a welter eight.

▶ **Rome**—Giancarlo Garbelli retained his Italian welter title without undue trouble against Stefano Bellotti in a good twelve rounder which saw Garbelli dominating all phases of the battle. Aldo Pravisani, the Bad News from Trieste, won over Sergio Milan in a feathers eight and Renato Giacche beat Ray Paini in a lightweight eight. Di Martino trimmed Sanna in a welter six, Domino drew with Tarquini in a lightie six and Manca laced De Witt in a flyweight four.

▶ **Brussels,** Belgium—The battered Spanish middle, Aladio Gameiro, has never won a fight in all his lengthy wanderings this side of the Pyrenees, to the best of our knowledge. Yet he still tops the bill here and there. Jef Janssens toyed with the decayed Gameiro for six rounds and stopped him in the next. Jean Malcorps stopped Henri Buyle in the second stanza of a cruiser fray and Bob Roger won well over Andre Meraint in a bantam eight. Coletta stopped Marien in the second heat of a feathers bout and Michel Le Riguier stopped De Scheemaker in the fourth round of a middles dispute.

▶ **Dortmund,** Germany—The King is dead, long live the King! In a sensational slugfest at the Westphalia Hall, the reign of Willi Hoepner over German cruisers came to an abrupt end when he was demolished by the flailing fists of a new star, Erich Schoppner, whose rising star had already been heralded by his defeat of Calzavara. Southpaw Hoepner made the mistake of moving in clockwise direction and Schoppner nabbed his man with a stiff left to the chin, followed by a right hook to the jaw which sent Hoepner groping to the canvas. Up again at "8", Hoepner was caught at once by another right flush on the chin which sent him down for a further "8" count. Staggering up, Hoepner adjusted his sights and threw a left to Schoppner's liver which had the youngster gasping. His reaction was to smash over a right to the champion's jaw and both men hung for a moment against the ropes. Schoppner broke free and the lanky champ slithered to the floor—out.

SOUTH OF THE BORDER

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

DURING FEBRUARY MEXICO CITY COULD NOT HAVE BUT SECOND-RATE boxing cards due to the fact that TV performed either abroad or in border towns. Here are the results:

▶ Ezequiel Uribe, 135, easily won over Julio Escobedo, 132, in ten-rounds. Saul Becerril, 112, promising youngster, stopped veteran Chocolate Barrera, 115, in seven. Luis Trejo, 124, decisioned Rosendo Martinez, 124, in eight. Nicolas Rangel, 125, decisioned Tony Maya, 127, in six. Victor Adame, 124, decisioned Carlos Ramirez, 127, in four.

▶ Nacho Escalante, 117, was awarded the decision by disqualification over Eloy Sanchez, 117, because of a butt. The butt was accidental and Eloy was far ahead on points at the beginning of the last and tenth round, when the fight was stopped. Guillermo Gonzalez, 118, stopped Hector Agundez, 116, in four. Chilo Barranco, 125, decisioned Ramon Rodriguez, 130, in six. Benjamin Ortiz, 118, stopped Negro Vela, 116, in two.

▶ Joe Becerra, 117, decisioned Joe Medel, 117, in a good fight, in ten. Ray Ruiz, 113, decisioned Javier Garfias, 117, in ten. Alverto Martinez, 118, decisioned Chucho Arriola, 119, in eight. Babe Zaragoza, 138, decisioned Bulmaro Manjarrez, 136, in six. Bernardino Martinez, 112, defeated Pollito Uribe, 112, by disqualification, in two.

▶ Hilario Morales, 126, decisioned Genaro Serafin, 125, in ten. Jose Campos, 140, decisioned Salomon Coronel, 139, in eight. Jaibo Carranza, 131, stopped Negro Alfaro, 124, in three. Rodolfo Lopez, 125, decisioned Roberto Marquez, 125, in six. Juan Hernandez, 116, stopped Chavo Torres, 121, in three.

▶ Angel Guerrero, 130, won over Beto Carbajal, 130, by disqualification in seven. The fight was a no-contest affair, but days later, Guerrero was awarded the verdict. Carlos Arregui, 134, decisioned Ubaldo Ramirez, 136, in ten. Chucho Hernandez, 114, stopped Delfino Martinez, 114, in six. Mario Ortega, 107, decisioned Julio Santamaria, 108, in six. Sammy Garcia, 117, stopped David Sanchez, 119, in four.

▶ Rudy Corona, 118, won from Guillermo Gonzalez, 118, in ten. Sergio Contreras, 133, stopped Humberto Vilchis, 136, in eight. Alex Jimenez, 115, won from Monito Luna, 116, in eight. Sergio Flores, 135, stopped Saul Barbeta, 134, in three. Mosco Vargas, 116, decisioned Miguel Angel Vargas, 121, in four.

▶ Al Urbina, 131, beat Beto Gonzalez, 135, in ten. Luis Gutierrez, 122, stopped Chuy Waldo, 130, in two. Eduardo Almazan, 134, decisioned Carlos Loyola, 135, in eight. Cosme Maldonado, 136, stopped Lorenzo Vazquez, 134, in three. Juan Ramirez, 125, stopped Ray Montero, 126, in one.

▶ Carlos Arregui, 155, got a decision over Lalo Duque, 142, by disqualification, in seven. Indio Conde, 129, decisioned Nacho Kid, 127, in eight. Alberto Soto, 119, and Tibico Torres, 117, drew in eight. Alfonso Palma, 112, decisioned Miguel Ulloa, 112, in six. Sergio Badillo, 112, decisioned Pedro Rodriguez, 112, in four.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

ARENA OLIMPICA, GOMEZ PALACIO.— Jess Bogart (Jesus Rangel), 145, beat Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 135, in 10 rounds. Rodolfo "Chivo" Diaz, 134, bested Pascual Jimenez (Kid Filipino), 136, in ten bloody rounds. Chivo floored his foe for a 9-count in the third.

Octavio Salas, 141, iced Eloy Pereira, 137, in two. Pedro Rodriguez, 129, and Libe Zavala, 132, drew in six. Martin Varela, 117, decisioned Mauro Perez, 118, in four.

▶ ARENA OLIMPICO, Gomez Palacio.— Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 109, and Juanito Mendoza, 110, named by the local Boxing Commission as the logical contenders for the vacant Flyweight Championship of La Laguna and Promoters Manuel Mateos and Mel Dipp put both boys together for a 12-round match and Goyo stopped his opponent in the 10th round.

Federico "Chino" Gonzalez, 128, beat Feliciano "Chano" Barrientos, 127, in the 10-round semi. Raul Olmos, 113, bested Pablo Barrios, 117, in eight. Roman Rodriguez, 117, stopped Juan Jimenez, 116, in the fifth. Manuel Saavedra, 110, nailed Pedro Hernandez, 116, in three.

▶ ARENA OLIMPICA, Gomez Palacio.— Claudio Adame, 125, won a ten round unanimous decision over Nacho Paredes, 123.

Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 132, stopped veteran Canelo Kid (Eduardo Rodriguez), 141, in five rounds. Salvador "Chicharitos" Ruiz, 130, bolted young Pedro Rodriguez, 128, also in five. Libe Zavala, 132, whipped Juan Alonso, 134, in six rolls. Mike Flores, 120, defeated Juan Sandoval, 120, in four.

▶ TAMPICO:—Roberto Pena, 139, won a decision over tough and rough Luciano Gonzalez, 140, in ten sweating rounds.

▶ DURANGO:—Ignacio "TunTun" Torres, 116, decisioned Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 119, in ten rounds. Javier Valenzuela, 145, and Negro Calvera, 141, drew in the 10-round semi. Cain Rogero, 122, stopped veteran Bolerito Rivera, 119, in the third. Oswaldo Hernandez, 117, iced Martin Varela, 117, in four.

▶ MONTERREY:—Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, 126, looking fine, beat America Rivera, 129, in ten fast rounds. Pedro Rodriguez, 133, Chihuahua, decisioned David Camacho, 134, in the 10-round semi.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Efrain Quintana, 122, bested Tony Alamillo, 125, in ten. Sardito Guerra, 117, beat Martin Ortiz, 116, in eight rounds.

▶ LA PAZ:—Luis Gutierrez, 123, Mexico City southpaw, halted Gil Nolasco, 127, in seven rounds.

▶ ZACATECAS:—Apolinar Huerta, 144, outpointed Salvador Vera, 137, in the 10-round main event.

▶ MONTERREY:—Rudy Corona, 119, put Kid Gallero, 123, to sleep in only two rounds.

▶ DURANGO:—Claudio Adame, 125, the husky little wolf from La Laguna, floored Hector Garcia, 133, twice only to get a very booed 10-round draw. Agustin "Diablito" Campos, 115, was too wise for Cain Rogero, 123, and got the 10-round duke. Otto Martinez, 119, stopped Javier Gonzalez, 119, in seven. Gustavo Ohm, 124, bolted Jesus Garcia, 126, in the first round.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Chiquis Rosales, 113, beat Cuban Reynaldo Tavio, 110, in ten rolls. Hector Ramirez, 133, outpointed Jorge Gonzalez, 131, also in a tener.

▶ MONTERREY:—In a real hard fight, Eduardo "Lalo" Guerrero, 120, Mexico City, got a 10-round split decision over Raul Leanos, 117. Both boys visited the canvas durjng the route.

▶ MORELIA:—Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 124, iced Little Palma, 126, in seven rounds. The victim was down four times.

▶ CUERNAVACA:—Arnulfo Palomares, 121, upset favorite Alejo Mejia, 119, in ten rounds.

▶ TAPACHULA:—Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 136, National Lightweight Champ beat Sergio Gomez, 133. The decision was widely booed.

▶ MONTERREY:—Julio Gallegos, 135, embalmed Andres Gonzalez, 133, in seven rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—Kid Anahuac (Humberto Martinez), 126, received the 10-round decision over Fidel Lucero, 129, but the fans booed the verdict. Vicente Ramirez, 135, decisioned Raul Rivera, 136, in other tener.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Ramon "Bobby" Cervantes, 125, got the duke over Luis Trejo, 127, in ten rounds.

▶ SAN FRANCISCO DEL ORO:—Babe Concer, 149, stopped Tommy Ramirez, 160, in six rounds.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Torito Jimenez, 130, stopped Henry Morales, 123, in eight. Jesus Celes, 145, nailed Kid Rodriguez, 146, in the fifth.

▶ REYNOSA:—Battling Torres, 127, outscored Felipe Sosa, 130, in ten. Chaparro DeLeon, 118, defeated Paco Mendez, 121, also in ten rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—In a great fight, Ernesto Figueroa, 128, Mexico City topnotcher, decisioned Cesar Saavedra, 127, La Laguna in ten. Facundo Martinez, 119, halted Rafael Sotelo, 121, in eight.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Ray Ruiz, 116, whipped Chuy Rodriguez, 118, in ten. Adrian Rojas, 119, kayoed Tomas Mendoza, 120, in the third.

▶ TAPACHULA: — Marcel Montoya, 112, bested Chiquilin Torres, 114, in ten fast rounds.

▶ QUERETARO:—Jess Bogart, 145, decisioned Ceferino Montero, 148, in ten rounds. The show was on benefit of unfortunate Pirrin Vega's family. Vega, one of the most clever middleweights in Mexico, was killed a couple of months ago.

▶ MONTERREY:—Chucho Mejia, 130, decisioned Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 133, in ten well-fought rounds. Babe Alonzo, 128, bested Indio Ramos, 133, in other tener.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Manuel Rodriguez, 123, got a 10-round unanimous duke over Efrain Quintana, 122. Adrian Rojas, 118, halted Luis Garcia, 119, in three.

NOTES FROM BAJA CALIFORNIA
By Francisco B. Escalante

MEXICALI, B. C.—AN ACTION-PACKED FIGHT CARD WAS offered in the Gimnasio de Mexicali. The program was witnessed by approximately 5,000 fans.

In the main go, Saul Becerril, 113, from Mexico City, won a ten round decision over Ignacio "Zurdo" Pina, 114, from Mexicali. The boys went at it hammer-and-tongs.

Mexicali's Whirlwind, Kildo Martinez, 120, had too much ring savvy for Hector "Ruso" Rodriguez, 122, in a 10 round bout. Martinez, cuffed and slapped Rodriguez silly and won the decision.

Sandy Alvarez, 125, and Panchito Duran, 126, took turns taking putt shots at each other and finally wound up going down to the wire in a hard fought draw in 6.

Cuco Avalos, 113, and Bobby Romero, 112, took dead-aim on their respective kissers for four heats, but Avalos, seemed to be a better shot so he won the decision.

Chuchu Garcia, 126, stopped Marcelino Romero, 126, in the second heat.

OBREGON, SONORA
By E. Campillo

Jorge Castro, 162, former national middleweight champion from Mexico City, drew with Al Mendoza, 152, Sonora, in ten rounds.

Hector de Vega, 110, Navojoa, bested Moises Juarez, 112, Mexico City, stopping his man in the eighth round. Jorge Chavez, 135, Esperanza, kayoed Dandy Esquer, 131, in the fourth round.

Carlos (Picho) Urbalejo, 121, Esperanza, lost a four round decision to Tony Navarro, 123. Jesse Bacasegua, 116, Pueblo Yaqui, kayoed Gus Quintero, 122, Obregon, in the third.

▶ Dusty Brown (Pedro Alvarez Benitez), 125, lost a decision in a ten round bout with Generon Serafin, 127, Mexico City. It was a poor contest.

Chamaco Guzman, 127, Magdalena, after being dropped in the first round, came on to beat out a ten round decision over Manuel "Ciclon" Alvarez, 131, Hermosillo.

Jorge Chavez, 135, kayoed Kid Bachomo, Los Mochis, in the second round. Tony Navarro, 127, won a four round decision over Vidal Badillo, 124, dropping Badillo twice. Both are four Obregon.

Francisco "Zorro" Verdugo, 129, won a four round decision over Teo Lopez, 124.

Pinky Peralta, 154, Nogales, defeated Kid Zacatecas, 162, in ten rounds. Zacatecas was dropped for a nine count in the sixth round.

Chamaco Llpez, 126, Magdalena, stopped Monchi Lopez, 125, in the fifth round, dropping his man three times in the fourth round.

Camilo Flores, kayoed Toro Navareete, 152, in the third round. Salvador Perez, 134, and Cameron (Shrimp) Lopez, 136, drew in six rounds. Both are from Obregon. Torito Gil, 112, Empalme, lost a four round decision to Mono Mazatleco, 113.

BOXING IN JUAREZ
By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM—ALFREDO NEVAREZ, 134, JUAREZ, GAVE A MASTERFUL display of boxing ability, winning every round from former Lightweight Champion of the World, Wallace Bud Smith, 135½, before an overflowed Municipal Auditorium.

Jack Flores, 147, El Paso, won in the six round semi-final from Tirso "Sonny" Rojo, 143, Juarez.

Ramon Rodriguez, 126, Juarez, out-boxed and outpunched Nacho Paredes, 122½, Mexico City, in the six round special event.

Carlos Ayala, 133, Mexico City, kayoed Leon Lopez, 132, Juarez in the first round.

Sal de Lucio, 147, Juarez, won over Jose Flores, 149, Juarez, in a dull four rounder.

▶MONUMENTAL BULL RING—L. C. Morgan, 140½, Youngstown, Ohio, stopped David Cervantes, 144½, Mexico City, in the fifth round of the scheduled ten rounder.

Cervantes, bleeding from the nose and above the right eye-brow, was floored by his opponent with a right cross to the chin.

Nacho Paredes, 122, Mexico City, and Tony Ortiz, 122½, Camargo, fought to a draw in the six round semi-final.

Al Mendoza, 145, Juarez, won by K.O. in the first round over Ritchie Enriquez, 142, El Paso.

Sal de Lucio, 146, Juarez, lost by K.O. in the second round at the hands of Bobby Garcia, 140, El Paso.

Mario Moreno, 114, Juarez, won decision over Armando Cervantes, 118, Juarez, in four rounds.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES.—IN THE RING OF "BABILONIA" STADIUM, Marcelino Dominguez, middleweight won by a T.K.O. in the ninth round from Eduardo Pereyra, Walter Villa kayoed Juan Carlos Zalazar, lightheavyweight, in four and Juan Bishop, featherweight, drew with Jose Domingo Luna in 10 rounds.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In a hard fought bout, Angel Olivieri and Vicente Derado drew in 10 rounds in the ring of "Argentino Juniors" Stadium. They are lightweights.

▶MENDOZA.—The ex-welter champion of Argentina, Cirilo Gil, won by a T.K.O. in the fourth over Federico Guerra.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the ring of the foot-ball stadium "San Lorenzo de Almagro", the Argentina and South American champion Martiniano Pereyra, kayoed Francisco Ciucci, a hard puncher, in the sixth round.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the ring of foot-ball stadium "Nueva Chicago", Ernesto Miranda, a good bantam prospect, kayoed Raul Jaime in the third.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—Carlos Miranda, "Challenger" of Pascual Perez in the fly division, won by a T.K.O. in second round over Segundo Vera.

▶LABOULAYE.—Juan C. Acebal, flyweight, won in 10 rounds from Raul Lopez.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—The Argentine-Panamenian, Frederick Thompson, welterweight, kayoed Angel Gregorutti in the second.

▶RIO CUARTO.—Adrian Servin, a good prospect in the feather class, won the decision in 10 rounds over Rafael Gallardo.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the "Babilonia" ring, Nestor Dolz kayoed in Juan Carlos Molina in the fourth round of a lightweight bout. Alberto Rodriguez kayoed Emilio Pellegrino in the fourth in a welter contest and Americo Cordoba, "Potro of Baton", lost the decision in 10 round to Victor Medina.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Jorge Fernandez, welter kayoed Luis Salinas in five.

▶PERGAMINO.—The undefeated and good prospect in the feather division, Santos Simili, won a disputed decision over Gerofildo Macedo in 10 rounds.

▶QUILMES.—The undefeated middle weight and olimpic representative in Melbourne, Victor Zalazar, kayoed Santiago Meza in nine.

▶MENDOZA.—Leandro Ahumada, lightweight, won on a disqualification in 7th round from Elio Ripoll.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—The undefeated heavyweight and Argentina representent in Olympic Games, Jose Georgetti, kayoed Juan Carlos Banegas in two.

▶PERGAMINO.—Undefeaated lightweight Osvaldo Canete kayoed Vicente Barros in seven.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Argentine-Panamenian welterweight Frederick Thompson, won the decision in 10 rounds over Angel Bello.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the ring of "San Lorenzo de Almagro", Ernesto Miranda, bantam, and "challenger" of Roberto Castro, the Argentina and South American champion, won in 10 rounds over Adolfo Pendas.

▶MENDOZA.—In a keenly disputed contest, Raul Vargas and Jose E. Casas, feathers, drew in ten.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Ubaldo Sacco, middleweight, won the decision in 10 rounds, over Bernardo Romero.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In "Argentinos Juniors" Stadium, Luis Manenti, feather, drew with Guillermo Mondot in 10 rounds; Dante Molina won on a T.K.O. in 4th over Andres Caceres and Horacio Salvarezza, lightweight, won the decision in 10 over Antonio Marquez.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the ring of "San Lorenzo de Almagro" Stadium, Terencio Gutierrez, feather, won the decision in 10 rounds over Cesar Vega.

BAHAMAS BOXING NEWS
By Chris W. Malakius

BIMINI—GOMEO BRENNAN, BIMINI'S welterweight king showed why he deserves the crown here March 1st by scoring a technical knockout over Al Walker of Philadelphia in the seventh round at the Marlin-Tuna Club. Brennan weighed 154 for the scheduled eight-rounder, Walker, 149.

In the five-round semi-final Veteran Battling Douglas, 146½, Nassau, earned a decision over Bob Moss, 138, of Philadelphia.

Rocky Ferguson, 149, of Nassau and Ray Shepard, 151, of Los Angeles, fought a five round draw. Allen Run and Boy Blue drew, Kid Scorpion and Fighting Razor also battled to a draw, both four rounders.

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BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

WITH AN EYE STARING AT THE ORIENT FEATHERWEIGHT CROWN, Ray Ming Chan, 125, Baguio city, Philippines, moved a step closer to his ambition when he outpointed Kiyoshi Miura, 120, Japan.

Kid Pancho, 130, of Malaya, earned a draw with Nai Somkiat, 129, of Bankok.

Sonny Chia, 133, stopped Mohd. Yussof, 133, in the 4th. Kwang Seng, 117, kayoed Wee Kee, 117, in the fourth. Boon Seng, 111, iced Mohd. Hussein in the second.

IN CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

FOLLOWING ARE RESULTS OF ACTION IN THE Canadian Maritimes for the month of February. There were no pro cards in our section.

▶Quebec, P. Q. Maritime welterweight champ Norm Gautreau, 149, Moncton, N. B. was held to a 6 round draw by Gerry Leroux, 135, Montreal. Gautreau scored the only two knockdowns in a fast go.

▶St. Paul, Al Sparks, 168, Westphal, N. S. outpointed veteran Al Andrews, 163¾, St. Paul, over 10 rounds. Sparks a young C.N.R. porter fights out of Winnipeg, Can.

▶Halifax, The Atlantic Command (Navy) held its yearly championships for 1958. Outstanding men were middleweight Jonnie McMillan, lightweights, Alf Senior, Jack Thibeau, Charlie Halfpenny, a middle and Clyde Desrosier a welter.

▶Halifax, The Eastern Command (Army) held its championships over a period of three weeks with the winners to journey to Vancouver later in the year to defend their Canadian team title won last year against the Western Command. Those picked to make the trip are: Heavy's John Thornton and Walter Dill; Light heavies, Jim King and John Cardiff; Middle weights, Ken Malley, Al Tuckey, Don Morris and George MacLeod. Welters, Henry Burgess, Harold MacGillivery (a former pro.) Ron Clarke and Jim Burns. Lightweights, Bob Downey and Dave Beaton; Feathers, Dick Fogerty and John McNeil and Bantam, Don Burns.

FRANCIS ALBERTANTI

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When Jim Norris took over the boxing empire of the ailing Jacobs in 1949, he also absorbed the Tournament of Champions and its obligations. One of those "obligations" was Albertanti, who moved into Madison Square Garden to head Norris' revamped publicity corps.

Francis didn't remain long on the job, however. The dreaded Parkinson's Disease had already taken hold of him, and Francis was losing more and more time from his work. His last important assignment was the LaMotta-Cerdan bout in Detroit. Shortly after his return to New York, Albertanti resigned from the Norris organization, and the last few years of his life were spent in a succession of hospitals, his condition steadily worsening.

A grand little guy, Francis Albertanti. A good newspaperman and a clever publicist, he'll be missed by the sports legions of the world who knew him and liked him.

McLARNIN—DEPRESSION TIME HERO

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Never one to show himself unless it was well worth it, the rise of Barney Ross provided McLarnin with a foe deemed suitable for the New York trade. Three matches between the pair for the welterweight title held outdoors in New York in 1934-1935 attracted more than a half million dollars. The last of the series was won by Ross and with it he took McLarnin's title.

In 1936, still a hero though minus a title, McLarnin's first Garden bout against Tony Canzoneri drew $85,825 and the second in the same arena on October 5, 1936, $54,227. More than ten thousand paid $32,187 to see the last bout of his career, a victory over Lou Ambers, in which he said farewell to the ring, a winner and a rich man.

Pop Foster exploited McLarnin's magnetism to the fullest, spacing his appearances well, selecting his opponents with an eye on both the scales and the box office. Hard-to-come-by-dollars were coaxed from slim bankrolls by the McLarnin magic, and it is a strange inconsistency that this ring hero of a generation ago, would probably not have fared as well financially in these days of high taxes, high prosperity and television as he did in the hungry days of the Great Depression.

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intervened. The referee's action and the taunts of the Archer cohorts infuriated Russo's followers and a brief but hectic free-for-all broke out between the rival cliques around the ringside. The club's special police rushed in to restore order. Facial damages also halted the semi-final, scheduled for six, Bertram Bailey, 147¾, Bronx, getting credit for stopping Bobby Shell, 147¾, Washington, D. C., at 0:36 of the fourth. The decision was greeted by howls of disapproval from the fans, who felt that Referee Mike Belloise acted too hastily. The cut over Shell's right eye did not appear serious. Chico Velez, 133¼, East Side, was a winner over Bernie Jones, 131¾, Brooklyn, in six. Joe Rubino, 161, Bronx, decisioned Jimmy McNair, 156, East Side, in one of the fours, while George Quinones, 129¾, Bronx, drew with Julie Santiago, 130¾, Puerto Rico, in the other.

▶The weather failed to cooperate with Sunnyside Garden's inaugural "new talent" card, but the few hundred fans who braved the miserable rain and gusty winds were treated to a lively, well-balanced card that auguered well for the club's future operations. In the windup six, Al Milone, 153, Coney Island, was a bit too experienced for Gene Hamilton, 161, Harlem, a short-notice substitute for Bernie (Red) Raines, who reported ill. Four knockdowns were uncovered in the co-featured six, as Larry Jones, 145, Harlem, slugged to a draw with Julius Rhodes, 142, Norristown, Pa. Rhodes was down three times and Jones once. In fours, Jimmy Gorman, 122, Paterson, N. J., had the better of George Stepheny, 127½, Harlem; Tito Galvan, 140, Bronx, won from Ricky Montell, 139½, Long Island City; Sam Robbins, 134, West Side, finished in front of Nick Grimaldi, 139, Stamford, Conn.; Sam Jones, 200, Harlem, outfought Tommy Black, 195, Bridgeport, Conn., and Johnny Bean, 130, Harlem, accounted for the only knockout on the card when he disposed of Cecil Barbosa, 134, Puerto Rico, at 1:57 of the first.

▶Still undefeated after his 26th start as a professional, 21-year-old Carlos Ortiz, 136¾, Bronx, knew he had been in probably his toughest battle when his exciting ten with bustling Tommy Tibbs, 132, Boston, ended in Madison Square Garden. His shifty boxing and snappy counter-punching, especially with left hooks, gave Ortiz a commanding lead in the early rounds but Tibbs stepped up his pace as the bout progressed and his swarming, free-punching aggressiveness, featured by lusty body punching, made things decidedly uncomfortable for Ortiz during the last half. Just when it looked as though Tibbs would overhaul him, Ortiz uncovered a furious rally in the final round to cinch the verdict. Eddie Thompson, 157 Cincinnati, O., outpunched Leo Owens, 159, Syracuse, N. Y., in the semi-final six. In another six, Leroy Green, 169¼, Kansas City, gave away 12¾ pounds and drew with Johnny Jenkins, 182, Harlem. In a third six, Danny Rooney, 178, Garfield, N. J., wasn't so fortunate in giving away avoirdupois. He tried to spot 14½ pounds to Larry Zernitz, 192½, New Haven, Conn., but it was too much. Zernitz won the decision in a fumbling affair. Two scheduled fours ended in quick one-round kayos, Roland Kellem, 133, Harlem, stopping Danny Shrope, 133, Philadelphia, at 1:33, and Vince Ferguson, 164, Bronx, finishing Cleo Zandt, 162, Brooklyn, at 2:04.

▶After postponing its reopening for two weeks because of the winter's worst blizzard, the Eastern Parkway Arena returned to boxing circulation with a well-matched card of two featured sixes and a quartet of preliminary fours. Unfortunately, the attendance didn't measure up to expectations and the estimated turnout of 450 wasn't enough to cover the club's expenses. In the sixes, a pair of locals triumphed over Puerto Rican opposition. Harvey Charles, 128½, Brooklyn, shaped up as a fine prospect in winning in handy fashion from Juan Venegas, 129. A give-and-take affair between Johnny Gorman, 145¼, West Side, and Felix Machado, 151, ended at 1:57 of the sixth because of a bad gash across Machado's forehead, the result of a head-on collision early in the round. Both boys were down in the first, and it was anybody's fight up to the unfortunate ending. Local Brooklynites also fared well in the preliminary fours, Frankie Grimes, 148, winning from Al Dixon, 145½, Long Island City; Tony Santiago, 156, taking the decision from Leroy Holmes, 159½, West Side; Clayton Thomas, 170, polishing off Arthur Cherry, 170, Harlem, at 2:13 of the fourth; George Gerek, 151½, demolishing Willie Hartley, 155, Harlem, at 0:51 of the first, and Vic Compos, 139½, outpointing a borough rival, Louis Carmona, 136, in the only all-Brooklyn pairing on the card.

▶Although he continued unbeaten at his "lucky" club, the St. Nicholas Arena, where he had previously won six and drawn one in seven starts, Garnett (Sugar) Hart, 147, Philadelphia, was something less than sensational in edging out a split, unpopular decision over Duke Harris, 143¾, Detroit, in a busy but uninspiring ten. The 22-year-old Hart lacked his usual flash, and boxed mainly on the defensive. His most effective scoring was with left jabs. The plodding Harris, appearing in a New York ring for the first time, made a decided hit with the onlookers by his willingness to fight. He forced the action practically all the way and succeeded in jolting Hart a couple of times with rights to the chin. The Philadelphian had particularly rough going in the sixth when Harris had him rocking unsteadily at the bell. For the most part, however, the Detroiter found the rangy Hart an elusive target. The bout was unusual in that it was fought almost entirely at long range, with hardly a clinch in the entire ten rounds. Off to a slow start, Willie Dockery, 159, Brooklyn, uncovered a strong finish to take the decision from Richie Hill, 163, Bronx, in the semi-final eight. In a pair of fours, Frank Weisgerber, 172, Paterson, N. J., won from George Corbitt, 180, Brooklyn, and Frank Keating, 160, Hartford, Conn., outfought Billy Robb, 158½, Trenton, N. J.

▶With Champion Hogan Bassey looking on from the ringside, a pair of hopeful aspirants to the featherweight title had it out in Madison Square Garden, Harold Gomes, 128½, Providence, edging his way to a close decision over Ike Chestnut, 130, Harlem, in a hard-fought but unexciting ten. In the advance speculation, Chestnut, with his speed and snappy left hand, figured to have the better of the long-range milling, while the rugged, aggressive Gomes would take the honors in the infighting. The bout produced just the reverse. Chestnut seemed to prefer working in close and concentrating on body punching while Gomes did his most effective scoring from a distance, repeatedly connecting with long, looping rights to Chestnut's head. The bout was marred at times by too much mauling. George Harrell, 160, Brooklyn, was an easy winner over Bill Tate, 160, Chicago, in the semi-final eight. "Club-fighting" Pat McCoy, 136½, from Galway, Ireland, via Sherbrooke, Canada, made a big hit by beating the heavier Norman Gautreau, 142½, also of Canada (Moncton, N. B.), in six. In fours, Rudy Watkins, 180½, Baltimore, was too strong for Wilson Hannibal, 170½, Harlem; Santiago Cozzaglio, 129½, Argentina, shaded Frank Figueroa, 129, Puerto Rico, and Carl Hubbard, 141, Philadelphia, outpointed Jimmy Piper, 140½, Harlem.

▶In action for the first time since he was stopped (on eye cuts) by Tony DeCola in the same ring five months before, Tony DiBiase, 149, Astoria, eked out a split and highly disputed decision over Peter Schmidt, 145½, German-born Yorkvillian, in a slugging ten at St. Nicholas Arena. It was a rugged give-and-take sockfest all the way, with DiBiase doing his best scoring with left hooks and Schmidt relying mainly on straight rights. Both boys were staggered often but neither seemed in real distress at any time. Schmidt bled steadily from the nose from the third round on and his left cheekbone was sliced in the seventh. An old cut over DiBiase's left eye was reopened in the fourth but his cornerman did a good job of checking the bleeding.

IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli

JOE GIARDELLO, 160½, PHILADELPHIA, SCORED A VICTORY FOR the second time over Franz Szuzina, 160, Germany, in a 10-round televised bout here at the Arena which drew $9834 into Promoter Herman Taylor's third boxing show.

Len Matthews, local 18-year-old lightweight fireball knocked out Norman Young, Philly gamester in the semi-final bout in a wildly exciting bout.

Matthews stretched out Young with a left hook, though he managed to struggle to his feet at the count of ten, Referee Zach Clayton immediately called it off. Norman had a weight advantage of 137½, to 130.

Al Avant, 157, defeated Jimmy Hopkins, 163, and Melvin Middletown, 128, won over J. D. Ellis, 132½, in six rounds. Gene Takach, 144, Trenton, beat Cortez Jackson, 144, in four rounds. Ernie Roberts, 144, TKO'd Jerry Black, 139, in the first four rounder.

▶ TONY GRAZIANO, is the local manager of the hottest boxer to come out of Philly in a long time, Len Mathews.

▶ Floyd Patterson, heavyweight champ, came to Philly to top a local boxing show. He showed in a three round exhibition with his sparring partner, Dusty Rhodes. Only 257 customers paid at the Adelphia Club to see the champ, probably the smallest attendance ever to see a heavyweight champion on exhibition.

In the windup, Jim Robinson, 163, Philadelphia, won his 15 straight fight by knocking out Joe Shaw, 162, New York, in the second round.

In the preliminaries, John Clyde, 152, defeated Freddie White, 145, in four rounds. Bill Roberts, 151, decisioned Ritchie Johnson, 146, in four rounds, and Vic Diamond, 136½, KO'd Joe DiMichele, in the first round.

▶ Frankie (Kid) Anslem, 151½, Philadelphia, came back from his recent successful tour of Mexico to score a six round TKO over Baltimore's Johnny Cunningham. Anslem punished the Baltimore lad with body blows until referee Pete Pantaleo stopped the battle at the Cambria AC. Anslem now has 37 wins against nine losses.

In the semi-final, Philadelphia's hard puncher, Bobby Douglas who weighed 144, knocked out Chico Corsey, 153, in the first round. Corsey suffered a broken jaw.

In other bouts: Melvin Middletown, 129, Philadelphia TKOd Ernie Twine, 129, Atlantic City, in the first round, Tommy Brown, 152, Trenton, defeated Skippy Green, 159, Pittsburgh; Carl Hubbard, 144, Phila., decisioned Bobby King, 148½, Phila. (4).

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CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

WATERBURY'S THIRD FISTIC VENTURE OF THE YEAR proved to promoter Tony Paoli that the fans will turn out for a boxing show that features local talent. With an undercard of 5 semi-pro bouts and a co-feature of two eight round pro bouts, half of each bout featured a local boy. In the top bout of the night, popular "Irish" Pat Mallane, 138, Union City, was opposed by Paul Lee, 139½, Hartford. It was a brawl for the whole scheduled eight rounds, with each boy guilty of infractions of the rules throughout. Mullane who scored a knockdown in the second round and who was the aggressor throughout the fight, appeared an easy winner but, had to settle for a draw on Referee Jack Adair's decision. In the companion eight rounder Joe Fusco, 146½, Waterbury, had little difficulty in decisioning George "Kid" Ross, 144½, Hartford. For Ross, who had won his first fifteen pro bouts, this was his first pro loss. 747 fans contributed to a gate of $1,396.50 before taxes.

▶ Hartford,—Another good Hartford boxing presentation, the first of the year, failed to stir the fans out of their doldrums, resulting in another poor house for the local promoters. With up and coming Steve Ward, 138, of East Hartford meeting Aging but crafty Teddy "Red Top" Davis, 140, of Hartford and other way stations, for the New England Junior Welterweight Title, in a 12 round feature attraction, we expected to see nothing but a packed house. For the fans who did attend, they were treated to a slam bang affair with Ward's youth prevailing over Davis' dimming reflexes. Ward taking command at the outset, forced the fighting all the way and displayed marked improvement over past outing, landing solidly with jabs, hooks and combinations. Referee Guido Franciamore awarded the fight to Ward by the narrow margin of only one point, 55 to 54.

George "Kid" Ross 140, Hartford, who only a few days before suffered his first pro loss, suffered his first KO loss, by being stopped in two rounds by new comer, Bob Lincoln, 142, New Haven. Ross floored Lincoln in the first round and apparently thought he was on his way to an easy victory when he got caught with a good right hand to the jaw that spelled curtains in the second. The rest of the card was made up of several good semi-pro bouts with Gus Browne as matchmaker and Sam Gulino as promoter. The attendance was 502 payees with a gross of $991.75.

▶ William J. "Billy" Prince, former boxer, manager, matchmaker and promoter and one time Connecticut State Athletic Commissioner, will be guest of HONOR at the Connecticut Boxing Guild's Tenth Annual Banquet to be held on Tuesday April 29th in Prince's home town of Bridgeport. CONGRATULATIONS to the Guild for another fine selection in their series of annual Banquets, and GOOD LUCK to one of Connecticut's outstanding boxing personalities, BILLY PRINCE.

Hartford's P A L Saturday Television boxing show spearheaded by former boxer Johnny Cesario and videod over WNBC channel 30, is proving a tremendous hit with both fans and participants. Other Police Athletic Leagues please take notice.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA
BY JACK LEVINSON

THE FEATURE BOUT OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MARCH OF DIMES BOXING Carnival, headlining Ralph Dupas of New Orleans and Gaspar Ortega of Tijuana, Mexico, can be described in just four words, "A promoters Dream Match".

The attendance of 3,195 paying customers, grossing the box office $8,320, gave praises due to Chris Dundee, who in conjunction with the I.B.C. of New York, made the hotly fought bout possible. The 4th nationally televised boxing carnival, made possible through the efforts of Dr. Edward Myers, Mr. John Burton and Mr. Charles Ford was held at the Municipal Auditorium in Norfolk.

Throughout the 10 rounds, the retreating winner Dupas, outboxed and outslugged the aggressive Mexican Ortega, just enough, to gain the official nod from the judges. A draw verdict would have been better accepted by most of the average fans. The loser Ortega, lost no prestige, in the eyes of the majority reviewers.

Using the 10 point scoring system, the scores were: Judge John Burton 96-96, Judge Charley Ford 98-92 for Dupas, Referee Paddy Mills 99-92 for Dupas. All 3 judges had Ortega winning the first 4 rounds. Ortega weighed 145 and Dupas 141.

Jack Russell, 159, of Washington, D. C. and Earl Clemmons, 161, of Wilmington, N. C. fought a six round draw.

In the eight round semi-final, former Marine champion Tommy Thompson, 190, of Washington, D. C. and Oscar Phare, 203, Birmingham, Ala. fought a slam-bang draw. Len Worrell, 156½, of Baltimore, won on a T.K.O. in the first round over Willie Bailey, 155, of Newport News, Va.

Milton Ferguson, 129, Washington, D. C., outpointed Steve Haywood, 132, Baltimore, in four rounds. Charley Little, 154, Baltimore, stopped Ernest Stephny, 161, Norfolk, Va., in three rounds.

BUFFALO, NEW YORK
By Hugh Shannon

BUFFALO'S FIRST PROFESSIONAL BOXING SHOW IN THIRTEEN months was staged by the Fairview Athletic Club at Memorial Auditorium. In the main event Neal Rivers of Niagara Falls knocked out Chebo Hernandez of Mexico in less than two rounds. The Mexican was no match for Rivers who has won 36 out of his last 42 fights. The FAC card was full of action but the crowd was small. Promoter Dewey Michaels dropped about $2000.

Gene Totorice, 146, Niagara Falls, won over Mike Kinelli, 150 p/4, decision, six rounds. Jackie Donnelly, 134, South Buffalo, triumphed over Fran LaBarba, 134, Massena, N. Y. decision, six rounds; Lew Civilgia 132, Niagara Falls, stopped Herman (Pancho) Padilla, 131, Lackawanna, two rounds; Tonko Ttrojanovic, 131½, decisioned Tommy Brown, 135, Syracuse, four rounds. Lou Scozza did a fine job as referee.

BOXING BITS FROM SINGAPORE
By Little Nene

HAPPY WORLD STADIUM: 4,000 enthusiastic boxing fans witnessed Japan's second ranking bantamweight Kiyoshi Miura, 121, and Filipino-Chinese featherweight champion of Singapore, Ray Ming Chan, 125, put up a punching duel over ten rounds. After the fight wherein Miura did almost all the boring-in, Ming Chan was awarded a split decision. A judge voted 87-85 for Chan, the Referee had it 186-185, while the other official noted his scoresheet 60-49, in favour of the Japanese.

There was a near riot in the stadium after the verdict was announced, the promoter being the butt of the blame.

Kid Pancho, 134, and Thep Vihtool, 129, drew over ten rounds. Tiger Smith, 137, and Tommy Misson, 140, drew in a six rounder. Rugged Angelo, 116, drew with Wee Kee, 115, in four. Joo Fock, 117, stopped Royal Ali, 118, in the third, while Leong Seng, 118, TKO'd Ah Kim, 117, in the third.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

HARRINGAY . . . In my report of the Pastrano-Richardson contest I wrote in the January issue "That it took an American to show us Britishers 'REAL BOXING'" . . . Well, I would like it to go on record that at Jack Solomons Promotion WE witnessed a youngster boxing or fighting in the name of "BRIAN LONDON" real name Harper, son of the ex-British Heavyweight Champion, Jack London, outfight and outslug Willie Pastrano of America, over ten rounds. Let me put this right, London did not receive referee Bill Williams' decision, but on my card, Brian London WAS THE WINNER . . . Without a doubt if the contest had taken place in any part of the The United States, London would have received the verdict.

Coming out for the fifth, Pastrano, sensing that he was behind on points, started to use his snappy left to the head and followed by a right to the body. London went down holding the lower part of his body. There was a count of four and referee Williams acted with great precision (and I mean "GREAT") for he walked over to London and said "Come on. Get up. Your not hurt".

Whether the blow was low or not I cannot say as London had his back to my part of the ring. Nevertheless the referee acted with great judgment and avoided what might have been a big fiasco . . . It was twelve seconds (according to the timekeeper) before the bout was allowed to continue, and then London went forward again forcing Pastrano against the ropes.

The crowd by now was in a frenzy, for seldom have they seen in an English ring a Britisher fighting and outslugging an American; especially one who is ranked fourth in the ratings. With the bout even in points, they met in the center of the ring for the last round. Both tipped gloves. The atmosphere in the ring and among the ringside spectators was explosive. The spectators standing around the ring, and on their seats cheered London on, for here was The Blackpool Blockbuster battling against one of the best heavyweights that has visited these British Isles, and to top it all, he was having the best of a slugfest that will be remembered by all who saw these two gladiators battle ten glorious rounds.

THE GONG went, and referee Bill Williams walked over to Pastrano and raised his arm.

▶MANCHESTER . . . Dick Tiger, The Nigerian middleweight, 162¼, won a shot against Pat McAteer for the latter's Empire Title by stopping Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, 161¼, in the seventh. The Irish born Lynas, now domiciled in Coventry, forgot all his boxing by trying to outslug the hard hitting Nigerian, who revels in a fight, especially when the opposition is willing to meet him halfway. A left hook to the head in the fifth opened a deep cut over Lyna's right eye, and in the sixth the same punch put him on the canvas for "eight", the end was in sight during the seventh session when the game Irish lad was dealt some punishment until the bell ended the round. During the rest he was advised to call it a day.

Sam Langford, Nigeria, 176¼, gained a points win over Neville Rowe, Australia, 179¼, in a hard hitting eight. Sandy Manuel, Nigeria, 147½, made a hard job of his bout against Peter Smith, Huddersfield, 148, whom he outpointed over eight rounds . . . Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 127¾, made it eight in a row since he came to The British Isles, with a points win over Dave Croll, Dundee, 127, in eight.

Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 146, made no mistake this time when he fought Paul King, Torquay, 148½, in a return contest over eight rounds halting him during the sixth round. They previously fought a draw.

▶WALSALL . . . Only three bouts were witnessed by the fans at the local Town Hall owing to the non-appearance of two contestants . . . Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 126½, took 2 mins. 40 secs of the first round to knock out Derek Jack, Bristol, 127, with a left hook to the jaw . . . Gordon Blakley, Cardiff, 128, gained a points win over Colin Salcombe, Birmingham, 127, in six . . . Nick Barone, London, 113, clearly outpointed Eddie Barraclough, Doncaster, 112, in six.

▶LEYTON . . . Albert Finch, Croydon, was hard pressed during his eight round contest by the young West Ham southpaw, Ron Redrup, who ran up a good lead until the sixth when the veteran came with a late rally to even the score and obtain a division of the spoils when referee Tommy Little declared a draw. Both weighed in at 177.

Ron Hinson, West Ham, 137¾, was given a workout by Peter Cobblah, Ghana, 138, during their eight round contest . . . Ron Richardson, Canning Town, 147, was a very unlucky loser in his twelve round contest against Terry Gill, West Ham, 147, for The Southern Area Welterweight Title. These two local rivals put up a hard encounter for eight rounds when Richardson, who was the stronger and all set for victory, came out of a clinch with a badly cut eyebrow. This left the referee no alternative but to send Richardson to his corner and declare Gill the winner.

George Dormer, East Ham, 124½, was too forceful for Ron Jones, West Ham, 123¼, and was a worthy points winner in eight . . . Peter Anderson, Cricklewood, 147, and George Davis, Nigeria, 145½, drew in six.

▶LEICESTER . . . George Aldridge, The twenty-two year old protege of Johnny Williams, Ex-British Heavyweight Champion, enhanced his reputation with a good points win over Les Allen, Bedworth, in twelve rounds of Brilliant boxing . . . In winning The Midlands Middleweight title, Aldridge showed boxing abilities that can bring him to the top, for in Johnny Williams he has a tutor who knows his boxing from A. to Z.

Brian Jones, Nottingham, was a clear winner over Denny Dawson, Sheffield, in a featherweight contest over eight rounds . . . Gene Jackstins, Leicester, narrowly outpointed Max Earle, Jamaica, in a closely fought cruiserweight contest in six. . . . Wally Swift, Nottingham, stopped Tommy Saxon, Manchester, in the third of a six round bout. . . . Barry Ridge, Leicester, outpointed Barrie Adgie, Nottingham, in a six round flyweight contest. . . . Colin Moore, Derby, outpointed Brian Husband, Hull, in a welterweight bout in six.

▶NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . LONDON . . . The highlight of The Club's programme was the clever performance of George Carroll, Covent Garden, 126¼, who clearly was the cleverer and cleaner hitter against the aggressiveness of Con Mount-Bassie, Jamaica, 126½, for six rounds. Then the latter received a badly cut eye that forced the referee to call a halt and declare Carroll the winner. . . . John Melfah, Ghana, 147, was too hard a puncher for Leo Maloney, Hillingdon, 147½, who was dropped for nine in the second round, and not in a position to defend himself, and referee Pat Floyd rightly stopped the contest.

Robbie Wilson, Dagenham, 131½, reversed a previous points defeat by gaining a clear points win over Billy Goodwin, Bermondsey, 137, in six. . . . Pat McCairn, Bethnal Green, 127¾, outpointed Terry Rees, Catford, 126¼, in six. . . . Terry Burnett, Cardiff, 147, and Reg Fisher, Leyton, 146, fought a hectic bout to a draw in six.

▶EPSOM . . . Alf Drew, Bethnal Green, 130, defeated Sammy Odell, Nigeria, 129½, in the sixth when the latter was ruled out by referee Jack Morris for an alleged low blow. . . . Dennis Reed, Norwood, 160½, narrowly outpointed Wally Scott, West Ham, 161¾, in a thrilling eight. . . . Johnny Collier, Bethnal Green, 130, was declared the winner over Dennis Saunders, Boreham Wood, 130¾, in six thrilling rounds.

Billy Collins, Stepney, 163, was in a hurry in his bout against Allan Harmer, Earls Court, 155, for within 15 secs of the first round he had Harmer in a bad way, referee Harry Gibbs wisely stopped the contest.

Buster Gaffney, Croydon, 147, and George Jeffreys, Kilburn, 146, thrilled the fans with their non-stop fighting for six rounds before the former was returned the winner. . . . Bill Cornelius, Camberwell, 176, outpointed the rugged Malcolm Affreck, Croydon, 170, in six hardhitting rounds.

▶HANLEY . . . Jack Whittaker, Warwick, 171½, a young cruiserweight who I predict will soon be boxing for premier honors, again showed good form in outpointing Willie Armstrong, the Glasgow Southpaw, 175, in eight thrilling rounds. . . . This makes Whittaker's 15th win in as many outings. . . . Johnny Cunningham, Huddersfield, 162¼, clearly outpointed Ronnie Vale, Warwick, 159½, in six.

Eric Lord, Bacup, 129, outclassed Ricky Smith, Manchester, 124½, and the referee stopped the contest in the third. . . . Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Sheffield, 130½, stopped Johnny Kilburn, Leeds, 134, in the third. . . . Ray Ward, Halifax, 165½, outpointed Bob Gillispie, Belfast, 163¼, in four. . . . Malcolm Gretton, Nottingham, 113¼, outpointed Bobby Davis, Lancaster, 116¾, in four.

▶GLOUCESTER . . . Cliff Purnell, Bath, 203, was awarded a points decision over Stan Davis, Kettering, 197½, after a crude eight round bout. . . . Dudley Cox, Bournemouth, 158½, was declared the winner over Peter Perkins, Channel Islands, 158½, the referee intervened at the end of the fifth when the latter was suffering from a badly lacerated ear.

Johnny Plenty, Bristol, 162½, gained a close points win over Ken Whistler, Bournemouth, 165, in a hard fought six. . . . Danny Larty, Ghana, 145, outpointed Sammy Royles, Gloucester, 150, in six.

▶The whole sporting world was shocked to hear of the terrible tragedy that befell The

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to March 21, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Joe Erskine (W)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Pat McAteer (E)	George Barnes (A)
2. Brian London (E)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Yama Bahama (B)	Boswell St. Louis (T)
3. Joe Bygraves (J)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Clive Stewart (A)	Peter Waterman (E)
4. Dick Richardson (W)	Mike Holt (SA)	Arthur King (C)	Gale Kerwin (C)
5. Henry Cooper (E)	Randy Turpin (E)	Dick Tiger (N)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
6. George Chuvalo (C)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Attu Clottey (G)
7. Kitione Lave (To)	Al Sparks (C)	Martin Hansen (E)	Tommy Molloy (E)
8. Tom Hini (F)	Ron Redrup (E)	Terry Downes (E)	Jimmy Newman (E)
9. Allen Williams (A)	Albert Finch (E)	Freddie Cross (W)	Sandy Manuel (N)
10. Henry Bray (F)	Tommy DuPreez (SA)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Paddy Graham (I)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dennis Adams (SA)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Frankie Jones (S)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Pate Kawala (C)	Dick White (A)	Terry Spinks (E)
4. Ron Hinson (E)	Charley Hill (S)	Dai Dower (W)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
5. George Martin (I)	Johnny Howard (E)	George Bowes (E)	Malcolm McLeod (E)
6. Russell Sands (A)	Aryee Jackson (G)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Warner Batchelor (A)
7. Max Carlos (A)	Elijah Mokone (SA)	Graham v. d. Walt (SA)	Ado Garuba (G)
8. George Bracken (A)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Ezekial Schole (SA)
9. Billy Kelly (I)	Gil Neill (I)	Eric Brett (E)	Gerry Parker (E)
10. Jackie Hayden (C)	Kimpo Amarfio (G)	Pat Supple (C)	Pancho Bhattachaji (In.)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

Manchester United Football Club when the plane in which they were travelling home crashed at Munich, Germany. Among the victims was HENRY ROSE, Sports Editor of The Northern Daily Express. . . . Henry Rose was one of the most liked BOXING commentators on T.V. His reports on any boxing show were fearless and frank and his loss to The Sporting Press can hardly be filled. I have known Henry for over thirty years and his jaunty defiant air will be missed at The Ringside of the Big Boxing shows. . . . MAY YOUR DEAR SOUL and ALL THOSE THAT DIED WITH YOU, REST IN EVERLASTING PEACE.

▶ GLASGOW . . . Dick Currie, Glasgow, 117½, won himself a shot at Peter Keenan, when he outpointed Guy Schatt, France, 119, in eight. . . . Although Currie was a clear points winner, many times throughout the bout he left openings that I am certain that Keenan will not let slip by. This is a good local match and Promoter Sammy Docherty will surely have to hang the "sold out" signs on the doors before the date of the proposed bout.

Johnny Morrissey, Newarthill, 118¾, was tested too highly when he was matched with the experienced Spaniard, Antonio Diaz, 117¾, over eight rounds. . . . Young Morrissey is a good prospect, and dropping a points decision to The Spaniard should not deter him from going ahead.

John "Cowboy" McCormack, Glasgow, 161, dealt out considerable punishment to Vincent O'Kine, West Africa, 154, for seven rounds before the referee intervened in McCormack's favor.

Dave Mooney, Wishaw, 174½, got up off the floor in the second to outpunch Ken Rowlands, Luton, 172¼, causing the referee to call a halt in the fourth when the latter was in no position to defend himself. . . . John Caldwell, Belfast, 114½, former Olympic Star, made an auspicious entry into the paid ranks with second round K.O. win over Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 115¼. . . . Derry Treanor, Glasgow, 119¾, stopped Eddie Burns, Liverpool, 121, in the fifth.

▶ BELFAST . . . Don Martin, Formby, 147¼, and Sam Thompson, Belfast, 147, fought evenly for eight rounds before referee Billy Duncan declared a draw. . . . It took Michael Feeney, Bambridge, 126½, 2 mins. 27 seconds of the first round to hang the order of the K-O, on Lol Reaney, Southport, 125.

Paddy Kelly, Derry, 126¼, younger brother of Ex-Champ, Billy, scored a spectacular K.O. win in 2 mins. 45 secs. of the first round, when Dave Walsh, Belfast, 129½, was put down for the full count. . . . Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 134¾, stopped Jim Fane, Belfast, 135¾, in the third. . . . Billy Skelly, Belfast, 123½, stopped Billy Adams, Belfast, 119½, in the second.

▶ LIVERPOOL . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 113½, making his first appearance outside London since he entered the paid ranks, gave a clever exhibition of "Boxing" to outbox and outsmart George McDade, Glasgow, 113½, in eight. The Scottish Champion had no answer to the rapier left and other variety of punches that "Baby Face" Spinks had to deal out.

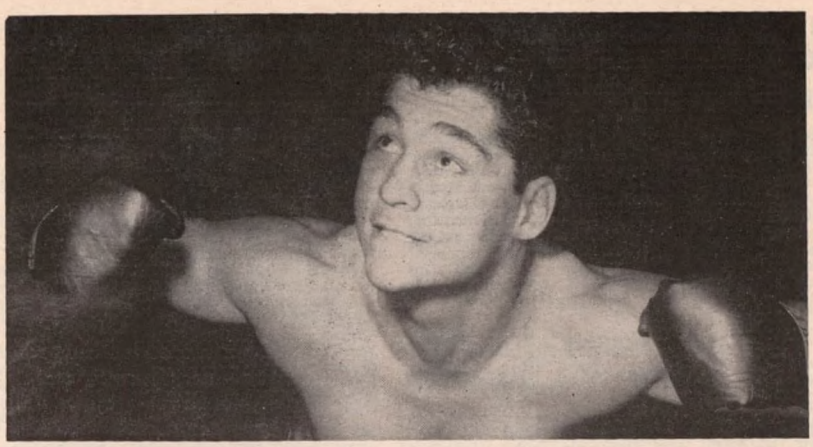
Ian Fraser, Askern, 138, a southpaw with a punch, soon had the advantage of Tommy Weston, Preston, 139, who failed to beat the count in the second round from a left hook to the jaw. . . . Ron Garnett, Earlsfield, 159, outpointed Ted Buck, Nottingham, 160, in six.

Chick Calderwood, Craigneuk, 170, a young Cruiserweight with a future, defeated Jackie Scott, Preston, 171, for the second time, on this occasion, the latter was stopped in the third. . . . This win for Calderwood makes it six in a row. . . . Les Herbert, Widnes, 130, knocked out Jackie Quinn, Belfast, 130, in the second. . . . George Eastham, Preston, 152, stopped Jed Kerpark, Blackpool, 147, in the sixth.

▶ WISBECH . . . Tony Webster, Norwich, 134¼, clearly outpointed Jimmy McLachlan, Hackney, 137¼, in a hard fought eight. . . . Aubrey Day, Kings Lynn, 128½, was declared the winner over Johnny Collier, Stepney, 128, in the third after the latter had received a badly cut eye. . . . Roy Taylor, Norwich, 134, stopped Carl Davies, Llanelly, 134, in the fourth when the referee Harry Paulding had inspected the latter's cut and the bout was then brought to an end.

Bob Shillingford, Romford, 150¼, again defeated Bob Clarke, Norwich, 145, on points in six. . . . Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 160½, defeated Fred Jackson, Haslingfield, 162½, in the third after the latter had received a badly cut eye. . . . Eldy Giles, Linton, 165, knocked out Les King, Hingham, 170¼, in the second.

▶ LEEDS . . . The Town Hall was packed to capacity when Jack and Arthur Green topped their card with a heavyweight bout between Joe Bygraves, Birkenhead, 201, and



Willie Pastrano, ranking American heavyweight, won a very narrow ten round decision over Brian London at Harringay Arena, London, with the British fighter out-slugging his opponent in the last round but just falling short of gaining the victory.

Joey Armstrong, Ghana, 187½. . . . The weight advantage of Bygraves was soon evident, for Bygraves waded in from the start and completely outclassed Armstrong, who was in such a helpless condition in the third, that referee Fred Blakeborough wisely intervened in favour of Bygraves.

Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 128, who since arriving in the British Isles has won all his nine bouts in good style, met an aggressive Irish battler, Jim "Spike" McCormack of Belfast, 128¾, in his next bout and lost the verdict in eight . . . Eric Brett, Retford, 118¾, and Terry Toole, Hackney, 119, gave a clever display over eight rounds that pleased the fans, and when the decision of a draw was announced, they were both given a great ovation . . . Gerry Bedford, Pontefract, 148, gained a points win over Johnny Mercer, Nottingham, 143½, in an interesting six . . . Johnny Saidio, Leeds, 209, knocked out Max Earl, Doncaster, 195, in the third.

▶ BIRMINGHAM . . . Randolph Turpin, British cruiserweight champion, 175, was awarded a points decision by referee Jack Hart at the end of ten very un-interesting rounds against Wilm Snoek, of Holland, 175¼ . . . Turpin has been a very big favourite among the Midland fight fans, but on this occasion, even his ardent admirers failed to get excited over his display against Snoek.

Phil Edwards, Welsh Middleweight Champion, from Cardiff, 161½, won comfortably on points against the tough Scot, John Woolard, Glasgow, 161½, in eight . . . Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 144¾, stopped Mick Leahy, Coventry, 148¾, in the second, when the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye.

Gene Jackstins, Leicester, 179½, outpointed Johnny Hunt, Liverpool, 180, in six . . . Tony French, Woking, 139½, outpointed Ian Fraser, Askern, 141, in six . . . Jimmy Robinson, Brownhills, 126¼, outpointed Terry McHale, Liverpool, 128¼, in six . . . Frank Spencer, Wolverhampton, 114¾, was a clear points winner over Barry Adgie, Derby, 111, in six.

▶ CHELTENHAM . . . Ebe Mensah, Ghana, 138, was too good for Andy Baird, Birmingham, 144, and after three rounds, referee Dick Burt stopped the bout in favour of Mensah . . . Tommy Leroy, Redhill, 161½, and Dudley Cox, Bournemouth, 160, put up a hectic bout over six rounds in which the former was declared the winner . . . Eddie Williams, Tredegar, 157¾, defeated Ronnie Vale, Warwick, 158, in the third, when the referee stopped the bout owing to Vale having sustained a very bad cut eye.

Tony French, Woking, 139¾, is only 16 years of age. But he has taken part in four professional contests winning them in good style and if he continues at this rate, he will soon be making headlines. The way he handled Don Lewis, Tredegar, 137, was a treat to see. The referee called a halt in the sixth and last round as French was too far ahead on points.

Jimmy Daly, London, 146, outclassed Joe Kelly, Ireland, 149¾, and the referee wisely stopped the bout in the first round to save Kelly from unnecessary punishment . . . Tommy Massebo, Port Talbot, 157, outpointed Sammy Royles, Gloucester, 151½, in six.

▶ LOUGHBOROUGH . . . Stan Davies, Kettering, and Clark Mellor, Stockport, two heavyweights who started in bar room fashion with Mellor sporting the heaviest right arm swing which Devies did not relish. After taking several counts Davies was led to his corner by the referee to save him further punishment. Ted Buck, Retford, defeated John Plenty, Bristol, in a eight round middleweight contest . . . Johnny Mercer, Nottingham, clearly outpointed Tommy Hartley, Liverpool, in a welterweight bout in six.

▶ SHOREDITCH . . . Ron Hinson, Dagenham, 133¾, was crowned Southern Area Lightweight Champion when Referee Jack Hart Stopped the bout in his favour against Ernie Fossey, Islington, 135, in the eleventh round as Fossey was staggering around the ring with no defense.

Ron Redrup, West Ham, 171, and Neville Rowe, Australia, 175, gave the fans plenty of action in their eight rounder, with "Southpaw" Redrup winning on points by the narrowest of margins. Ron Warnes, Erith, 144, was forced to the limit to win on points against Reg Fisher, Leyton, 147, after six hectic rounds.

Billy Corcoran, Acton, 153, defeated Billy Collins, Stepney, 155¾, in the first round, the latter was forced to retire with a badly cut eye . . . Jimmy McLachlan, Hackney, 139, was declared the winner over Billy Goodwin, Bermondsey, 138½, in the third, when the latter was disqualified.

▶ BELFAST . . . GERRY McStravick, Belfast, 144, was an easy winner over Tex Williams, Carlisle, 146¾, and the referee stopped the one sided bout in the third . . . Billy Corbett, Carrickfergus, 156, was a clear winner against Dennis Wingrove, Basildon, 159, in eight . . . Jim Hamilton, Belfast, 137¼, punched too hard for Danny Hatton, Belfast, and he wisely retired in the third.

Paddy Kelly, DERRY, 128¼, had a quick win over Benny Vaun, Belfast, 124¾, for the referee stopped the bout after Vaun had taken several counts during the first round . . . Paddy McAuley, Belfast, 147, outpointed Gerry O'Neill, Belfast, 146, in six.

▶ NEWCASTLE . . . Leo Molloy, Birkenhead, 144, proved too clever for Peter Cobblah, Ghana, 142¾, in eight . . . John Smillie, Glasgow, 126, was awarded the decision over Eddie Burns, Birkenhead, 124½, in a great scrap in eight . . . Wally Swift, Nottingham, 149½, defeated Tommy Keeley, Birkenhead, 152, after six interesting rounds.

Brian Jones, Nottingham, 134, defeated Johnny McLaren, Glasgow, 137, in the sixth, the referee intervened to save The Scot further punishment . . . Ron Jackson, Newcastle, 144¼, came from behind to defeat Dick Knox, Glasgow, 141¼, in the second, a good left hook started the damage towards the end of the round and after taking several counts, the referee stopped the bout . . . Jack Richards, Middlesborough, 128, outpointed Hugh King, Glasgow, 126, in six.

▶ GREAT YARMOUTH . . . Sani Armstrong, Ghana, 147, gained a narrow points decision over Johnny Fish, Harlow, 148, in a hectic eight round bout . . . Johnny Dumper, Winchester, 154¼, hit too hard for Bob Shillingford, Romford, 153, the latter was put down on four occasions before the referee stopped the bout in favour of Dumper, who was having his first professional bout.

Jackie Bowers, West Ham, 126, was a narrow points winner over Barrie Smith, Dartmouth, 127, in six . . . Tony Webster, Norwich, 134, knocked out Vic Bowyer, Hornchurch, 137½, in the fourth . . . Jack Burley, Hackney, 146, outpunched Brian Husband, Hull, 141, in six, and was a worthy winner . . . Glyn Evans, Askern, 129¾, stopped Terry Russell, Poplar, 132, in the sixth and last round.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH

By Ike Morales

AS THE RING WENT TO PRESS, NEW ORLEANS BOXING FANS were in a dither because of the possibility Ralph Dupas would get his much deserved chance to meet lightweight champion Joe Brown for the title.

Lou Viscusi, manager of the titleholder, agreed to let Brown defend his crown against Ralph in Houston, Tex. But the pressure of the National Boxing Assn. of which the State of Texas is a member, was holding up the official signing, temporarily at least.

M. B. Morgan, the Texas Labor Commissioner, refused to sanction a Brown-Dupas title fight for Houston, giving as his reason that Texas is a member of the NBA, and since that ring body turned thumbs down on such a fight, he had no other alternative.

Viscusi said that Texas fans are up in arms because of Morgan's refusal to sanction the fight, and they planned a petition to Governor Price Daniel, requesting the Governor advise his commissioners to withdraw the State of Texas from the NBA.

The Houston Chamber of Commerce was also backing Viscusi and the championship fight. Jules Helfand, chairman of the New York Boxing Commission, as well as the World Committee were also behind a Brown-Dupas title fight. Helfand pointed out that a champion and his manager have the right to choose one of the three leading contenders, and that Viscusi was in his rights to pick Dupas, number three in Ring, and two in N.B.A. ratings.

Just what the outcome will be could not be ascertained at this writing.

Irish Ernie Smith, 159½, lanky Pennsylvania middleweight, scored a startling upset when he defeated Tony Dupas, 156½, younger brother of Ralph, in an interesting 10 rounder at the Coliseum arena.

Young Dupas who has compiled an enviable record, having recently defeated Herbie Rodriguez, entered the ring a 3–1 favorite but the visitor, was given the verdict by a split decision.

Referee Eddie Wolfe and Judge Augie Lapara gave Smith a 5–4–1 majority, while Judge Lucien Jaubert voted for Dupas, six rounds to four. My tab showed Smith the winner, 6–4.

The action-packed affair, applauded in almost every round, drew a total of 1183 paid customers who netted $1916.60.

Four of the five scheduled four rounders ended in knockouts. Frank Evans, making his pro debut, was impressive in stopping Curt Woodwin of Houston in the second round after twice felling the Texan with hooks. Jimmy Lane finished Pat Brown, also of Houston, in two rounds; Frankie Speed kayoed Sonny Sehon in two, and Al Johnson stopped Percy Pugh in three.

The only prelim to last the four rounds found Jitterbug Smith scoring a split duke over Jake Onorato, who was making his first start as a professional.

▶Dave Dupas is the latest New Orleans lightweight to move into the national picture. Unable to secure fights in his home town, the 21-year-old Dave has been active with fights in Texas rings.

His latest was an upset of Gale Kerwin, the Canadian prospect who has been quite successful of late in New York rings. Young Dupas won a split 10-round decision over Kerwin at Dallas, Tex.

▶Frankie Speed, unbeaten since his service discharge, chalked up another victory when he stopped Teddy Mosley at Mobile.

Mike Cusimano, who resigned as a member of the boxing commission to return to the field as fight manager, shares a managerial stable along with Nick Lapara . . . Charley Joseph and Larry Armstead are included in the Cusimano-Lapara tieup.

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LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS

By Joe Martin

Our Golden Glove's lines ended and the Champs are as follows:

Novice Division—Flyweight—William Covington, Bantamweight—Joe Martin Jr., Featherweight—James Anderson, Lightweight—Rudy Clay, Welterweight—Buddy Secuskie, Middleweight—Jerry Woosley, Light-heavyweight—Bill Harper.

Open Division—Flyweight—Elmer Dennison, Bantamweight—Jerry Johnson, Featherweight—David Hilton, Lightweight—Eddie Whitaker, Welterweight—Yondell Smith, Middleweight—Willie Moran, Light-heavyweight—Cassius Clay, Heavyweight Donnie Hall.

NEW MEXICO RING NEWS

By Bill Coleman

▶PROMOTER DUTCH GIRON AND matchmaker Mike Tarazon staged an attractive show at the Central Brown Derby. In the feature scheduled 10- rounder Eddie Saint, 117, Deming, had too much for Raul Duran, 116, Mexico City, and knocked him out in 14 seconds of the third. Fighting the semi-main, Henry Gutierrez fought his usual sensational fight, stopping Hector Ramirez, 140, Delicas,Chih. in 2:45 of the fourth of a scheduled six. Henry weighed 137, and the win brought his unbeaten string to 14.

SWINGS AND HOOKS FROM CENTRAL OHIO

By Les Huffman

BOXING IS BEGINNING TO PICK UP IN THE MID-WEST, with a number of new faces appearing and the veterans, like Charley Cotton, continue their activity. Cotton scored a fourth round knockout over Willie Russell in their middleweight bout in Toledo's spacious arena. Both hail from Toledo. The show drew 1,400 fans who paid $3,100, a pretty good gate in these lean days.

Carl Beavers of Toledo stopped John Pratt of Cleveland in the fifth round of a heavyweight contest. Leroy Jeffreys of Toledo stopped George Reed of Inkster, Michigan, in the second round of a feather scrap.

▶The Golden Gloves tournament drew well. Big crowds attended the show. The Police Athletic League boxers successfully defended their title, but a bout that was not in the tournament stole the show. It was between Abbie Rumph and Dwain Adams, heavyweights, with Rumph winning in three rounds.

IN ALBUQUERQUE, N. MEXICO

By Johnny Seubert

RESULTS OF THE ONLY PRO CARD HELD HERE IN FEBRUARY:

Billy (Sweatpea) Peacock, 118, Los Angeles, unanimously decisioned Gaetano Annoloro, 117, Italy, in ten rounds.

Henry Gutierrez, Deming, TKO'd Johnny Hart, Fresno, in 0:45 of the final round of a six round semi final lightweight bout. Joey Limas, Albuquerque, split-decisioned Salvador Fierro, El Paso, in a lightweight contest.

Phil Vargas, Albuquerque, split-decisioned Frank Davila, El Paso, in another lightweight contest. Ted Cuellar, Albuquerque, scored a kayo in the second round over Anthony Johnson, Albuquerque. Both middleweights.

MINNESOTA NEWS

By Bill Colbert

ST. PAUL AUDITORIUM—Al Andrews Superior, Wis., middleweight lost to Al Sparks, Winnipeg, Man, middleweight in the St. Paul Auditorium. Andrews, handicapped by a cut eye lost the decision in ten rounds. Andrews weighed 168 and Sparks, 165.

Paul Barrington, 200, lost a split decision to John Hein, Milwaukee, heavyweight. Connie Lee, River Falls, Wisc., 200, scored a KO in two over Tim Malone, Minneapolis. Dick Newell, Minneapolis, 157, decisioned Roger Johnson, Duluth, 162, in a six round bout.

▶Here are the results of the finals in the Golden Gloves Tournament which this year were better than ever. More than 7,000 persons saw the action on the final night.

Flyweight—Bobby Doyle, Blue Earth, decisioned Delmar Ellis, Wadena. Bantamweight—Johnny Costello, Rochester, decisioned Bobby Eason, Minneapolis. Featherweight—Denny Nelson, St. Paul, beat Tom Zangia, Wahpeton.

Lightweight—Asa Grisby, Minneapolis, beat Orvin Clark, Hibbing. Welterweight—Willie Jemison, Hibbing, beat Gene Brackett, Hibbing. Middleweight—Duane Horsman, Rochester, stopped Jim Shaw, Minneapolis.

Light Heavyweight—Ed Hurley, Minneapolis, beat Lyle Smith, Hibbing. Heavyweight—Roger Peck, Hibbing, beat Le Roy Bogar, Minneapolis.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY

By Bus Burke

THE 872 LOYAL FIGHT FANS WHO TURNED OUT FOR LOU WALLACH'S third semi-monthly boxing card received their moneys worth as the card was action-packed from start to finish. It was a slam-bang bout from start to finish. The gross gate was only $1,729. The card was well-matched and should certainly have been better received.

Joe Reynolds, St. Louis, (136) decisioned Chuck Taylor, Detroit (137) in eight rounds. Pedro Bradley, St. Louis, (159) defeated Ludell Stitch, Louisville, (157½) in eight rounds.

Jack McCracken, St. Louis, (169) stopped Harry Terry, St. Louis, (168) in two rounds. Tommy Reynolds, St. Louis, (123) decisioned Curtis Orr, St. Louis, (126) in four rounds.

Jerry Buchanan, St. Louis, (205) decisioned Leroy (Bud) Malcolm, St. Louis, (218) in four rounds.

Jesse Bowdry, 171½, St. Louis's latest light-heavyweight sensation proved definitely on Lou Wallach's St. Louis fistic presentation that he is not ready as yet to meet the strong competition that he will have to face to make his bid for the 175 pound title. Bowdry punched the granite jawed Pedro Bradley, 167½, of New Orleans with every thing he had but could not get the New Orleans strong boy off of his feet though he won the decision.

Al Jones, 149, St. Louis, won on a split decision over Wally Johnson, 148, Chicago in eight rounds. Gene Dale, 129, St. Louis, defeated Curtis Orr, 129½, St. Louis in four rounds.

Elmer Shippe, 153, Peoria, and King Farouk, 148, Chicago drew in four rounds.

Jack McCraken, 167, St. Louis, stopped Johnny Moore, 162, Chicago, in the first round of a scheduled four rounder.

Attendance 1,106. Receipts, $2,177.

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

BEAUMONT, TEXAS, WILLIE RAY CAMPBELL, PROMOTER.—Paul Jorgensen, 129, ranking featherweight from nearby Port Arthur, breezed into town long enough to hand Tommy Collier Cox, 128, a ticket to dreamland in the fourth round. Cox hangs his sombrero around Phoenix. Dale Davis, 152, Senath, Mo., a good prospect, outboxed and outpunched the burly Harold "Tiger" Redman, 155, Beaumont, in an eight round thriller.

Joe Bertrand, 147, Port Arthur, weathered some rough moments to edge rough house Curt Woolwine, 146, Beaumont, in an action packed four. Bobby Henry, 130, Beaumont, boxed nicely in beating Matt Turner, 129, Beaumont, in a four. Dean Shearin, 133, Port Arthur, remained undefeated as he triumphed over Al "Sweet Potato" Bouldin, 134, Houston, in another four.

▶Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Promotor—Cus D'Amato and Floyd Patterson have come and gone. They received royal treatment, and though it was announced only five days ahead of time that the champ would engage in a three round exhibition against Obie "Dusty" Rhodes, the gate reached $14,000. Patterson is only human after all, we've found out, and the general consensus is that our own Roy Harris from Cut 'n Shoot will give him all the fight he wants.

In the ten round feature, Cleve Williams, 209¾, Houston, was his usual destructive self. He battered a game Gene White into bloody submission after only a couple of minutes of round one. White comes from St. Paul, and weighed 188.

In the under ten, Rocky Randell, 138, Rome, Ga., had to come from behind to kayo sharp punching Maxie Trero, 138, Corpus Christi, in a real thriller. A short right uppercut did the trick. Matt Plachy, 172½, Budapest, Hungary, making his money debut, made a real hit in icing Ennis Cheatham, 173, Dallas, in the second heat. Plachy, managed by Benny King, was the Hungary Olympic representative in 1952 as a middleweight. The fighting refugee now makes his home in Houston, and bears watching.

Walter Moerbe, 159, El Campo, bounced a bomb off the exposed chin of chief Sam Williams, 167, Oklahoma City, and it was all over in the first round.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Ramon Ruenes, Promoter.—Martin Vasquez, 130, and Oscar Torres battled to a 10 round draw in the top attraction at Brownsville. Aurelio Reyna, 117, stopped Gustavo Carrera, 123, in one round. Nicholas Reyes, 118, stopped Felipe S. Garcia, 117, in four.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Ramon Ruenes, Promoter.—Gino Tovar, 118, hammered out a 10 round victory over Gerardo Isoba, 118, in a good battle which topped the night's fistic activity. Jorge Gomez, 118, decisioned Abel Pena, 118, in a rousing eight. Francisco Ortiz, 119, kayoed Roberto P. Trevino, 115, in the third round.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Ramon Ruenes, Promoter.—Mike Coronado, 150, Corpus Christi, won a 10 round decision over Daniel Felizardo, 157, and Joe Cancio, 155, halted Jose Barcenaz, 148, in five. Antonio Barcenaz, 120, won over Nicholas Reyes, 122, in six rounds. Francisco Ortiz, 119, stopped Jesus Alaniz, 128, in three.

▶Houston, Texas, Texas Boxing Enterprises, Promoter.—Paul Jorgensen was the big noise of the month in Houston. Looking every bit as good as his number three position among the world's top featherweights would have you believe, he won a unanimous 10 round decision over another world's ranking fighter, Gil Cadilli of San Francisco. The three officials scored it 97–94, 97–94, and 97–93. Jorgy was tremendous in every respect. He was agressive, he was his old clever self, and was in complete command. Jorgy scaled 129½, Cadilli 125½.

Rocky Randell, 137, Rome, Ga., stopped a game Jimmy Leach, 144, Daytona Beach, in six tough rounds. It had been nip-and-tuck all the way, but Leach had received several bad gashes in his head and the bout had to be stopped.

Campbell "Wildman" Woodman, 187, Cut 'n Shoot Stablemate of Roy Harris, made his pro debut and looked sharp in beating Ennis Cheatham, 173, Dallas, in a four round thriller. Woodman was the Texas Golden Glove champion as a heavyweight in 1952, and has always been trained by Henry Harris, Sr.

Matt Plachy, 167, Budapest, Hungary, wasted little time in finishing off Rastene "Ralph" Lucas, 158, Houston, in the opening round. A powerful left hook did the job. Jimmy Fields, 154, Houston, edged tough Walter Moerbe, 157½, El Campo, in an exciting four. Will Estes, 146, Houston, came from way, way behind to kayo Ray Conway, 146, Houston, in the fourth and final frame. It was the first defeat suffered by Roxy Kalo's young protege.

▶ODDS & ENDS. . . . Kennett, Missouri proved to be a real live fight town recently by turning out strong for the Dale Davis-Jimmy Leach 10 round attraction. They're ready and waiting for more fights. . . .

Anyone desiring copies of old fight programs, some of recent vintage, from this area please drop me a line at 4903 Laurel, Bellaire, Texas. They'll contain stories and photos of Roy Harris, Cleve Williams, Paul Jorgensen, Rocky Randell, Aldo Mente, Joe Brown, and the older ones show Sauveur Chiocca, El Conscripto, Doug Medley, Cesar Saavedra, Eddie Bertolino, Jacky Blair, Chato Hernandez, Buddy Holderfield, and many others. Just enclose 25c to cover mailing, and if you have preference for any particular program advise.

All Boudreaux, the Fighting Frenchman from New Orleans, won the welterweight championship of Louisiana by outboxing Irish Johnny McKoin in a wild 10 round battle at Monroe, La. With it went a beautiful belt emblematic of winning the State title. Following the victory over the capable McKoin, Boudreaux headlined a show in Monroe, and scored a four round knockout over Sonny Sehon.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By All Frenn

JIMMY MARTINEZ HAD TO FIGHT HIS MOST AGGRESSIVE FIGHT to beat Bobby Jones in the 10-round main event at Phoenix Madison Square Garden. Martinez, 158, won every round on all three scorecards, except the third, when Jones, 159, almost put the Glendale, Arizona boy away with a sneaky right.

Zora Folley staged a two-round exhibition workout with Ted (Big Bear) Hutchinson, and then boarded the plane for his fight with Eddie Machen in San Francisco.

In the semi-main, Johnny Carroll, 185, Phoenix, landed two hard left hooks to knock out willing but rusty Claude McClintock, 185, Amarillo, in the third. Jackie Pearson, 130, Phoenix, made his pro debut a successful one by knocking out Jimmy Cooksey, 130, Phoenix in the fourth, and Nathan Ish, 157, knocked out Art Avalos, 165, Phoenix in two, and Rudy Smith, 152, Phoenix, took a unanimous 4-round decision over Buck Bellamy, 156, Phoenix.

▶THE GOLLEN GLOVES ARE OVER. The Bud Rainey team of Clifton coached by Your's Truly won it's 6th Team Championship. The champions for 1958 are: Del Byrd, heavyweight; David Furch, 175; Jim Anderson, 160; Harold Hutchinson, 147; Manuel Davila, 135; Chuck Flores, 126; Herman Kruetzer, 118; and Eddie Anderson, 112.

IOWA—SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By Bill Hawkins

TERRY LEWIS, 237, SIOUX CITY'S HEAVYWEIGHT COMER WON HIS ninth straight professional bout in Minneapolis, knocking out Jerry Baily in 2:18 of the third round. He has no losses thus far in his professional career, and only one bout has gone the limit. The win over Baily, a sound midwest heavyweight who graduated from a spectacular career in the amateur ranks, has put Lewis in line for several top bouts in the middle-west fight centers.

▶LAST MINUTE SPARKS . . . An all-champion boxing card has been booked for the Sioux City Auditorium . . . Connie Curry former bantamweight contender is making plans to train youngsters. Curry back in the twenty's was one of the greatest boxers in the middle-west . . . Credit should go where credit is due and we think Bill Engel of South Sioux City should have a world of credit for the fine job he is doing with training youngsters in the art of boxing . . . Remember our address is 2000 South Roswell, Sioux City Iowa . . . See you next month.

MOBILE ALABAMA RESULTS
By Art Drago

MOBILE, ALA.—MOBILE'S FIRST PRE FIGHT CARD IN OVER FOUR MONTHS, saw state welter weight champion Guy Sunlin defend his crown with a second round knockout over Cheffy Reyna. The bout was scheduled for ten rounds. The fight attracted 988 paying customers.

Sunlin's win was his fifth in six pro bouts, the other scrap ending in a no-decision verdict.

Promoter Tom Nelson, who staged eight cards here last year, plans to offer programs every two weeks.

Frankie Speed, 130, Jackson, Miss. stopped Teddy Mosely, 130, Mobile, TKO (2); Calvin Chapman, 140, Mobile decisioned Jitterbug Smith, 136, Jackson, Miss. (4); Al (Duke) Malone, 145, Mobile stopped Cal Campbell, 147, New Orleans (3); Clifton Enlier, 175, Mobile, decisioned Alvin Carter, 174, New

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

MANUEL ARMENTEROS, 121½, CUBA, halted Al Asuncion, 120½, the bantamweight champion of the Philippines in the 7th round at a show promoted by Mamerto Besa at the Coliseum. The Cuban proved too fast and clever for the slow moving Filipino. Asuncion was in a bloody mess with cuts under his right eye and his nose was badly busted. When the bout was halted by his chief second.

Jet Bally, 126, was lucky to win his 10 round bout when Baby Brown, 124, broke his right wrist in the 4th round. Bally was downed in the 4th. A right landing on Bally's head caused the trouble. From the 4th until the last stanza, Jet was master of the situation as Baby's right was useless. Baby Demilliones, 108, drew with Kid Independence Jr., 112, in 8 rounds. Angeles Alberto, 113, kayoed Baby Independence, 107, in the 5th round. Cagayan Boy, 122, lost to Ernie Paredes, 119, in 6. This was the best fight of the evening.

Young Bonnie, 114 bested Clever Perez, 116 in 6 rounds. Perez is new in the game and could someday be a titleholder if given proper coaching. Waling Waling Boy, 112 outpointed Boy Amil, 116 in 6. Jim Posadas, 119, who substituted for Ray Escober, 119 drew with Dommy Felicia, 119 in the 4 round curtain raiser.

▶Rush Mayon, 175, easily disposed Teody Alama, 155, in the 4th round in Tagkawagayn, Qeuzon Province. Rocky Moises, 134, drew with Flash Sebastian, 132, in 6. Young Pancho, 125 split with Rocky Antonio, 139, in 6. Young Nardo, 126, bested Rick Mondy, 125, in 4.

▶Rush Junior, 124, halted Baby Corpus, 120, in the 1st round in San Pablo City. Johnny Bon, 121, kayoed Rudy Alcantara, 116, in 2. Clever Tannael, 108, knocked out Nick Francis, 105, in 3. Little Nene, 112, halted Dar Menez, 115, in 2. Joe Sagun, 115, kayoed Star Rudy, 124, in 1.

▶Flash Menny, 128, defeated Oscar Reyes, 126, in 8 rounds in Binangonan, Rizal. Young Eleno, 126, halted Puyas Boy, 128, in 6. Rocky Cornello, 128, halted Baby Leyte, 128, in 4. Little Wolgast, 115, halted Smart Francing, 118, in 4. Little Martin, 121, decisioned Little Dante, 118, in 4.

▶Lary Fernandez, 124, defeated Kid Johnson, 122, in 8 rounds in Taytay, Rizal. Viva Zapata, 110, bested Leon Silos, 112, in 8. Slugger Joe, 126, drew with Steve Granada, 122, in 6. Joe Cortes, 110, won over Bonnie Hernandez, 122, in 4.

▶San Juan Boy, 117, drew with Ray Escobar, 120, in 8 rounds in Binangonan, Rizal. Smart Aragones, 112, decisioned Baby Moro, 108, in 6. Max Aguilar, 114, defeated Sonny Almedejar, 115, in 6. Little Wolgast, 112, bested Joe Cortes, 112, in 6. Baby Charlie, 116, drew with Fred Saludar, 112, in 4.

▶James Hardman, 114, defeated Young Aquino, 115, in 10 round main event in San Fernando, Pampanga. Lourdinez Junior, 111, bested Dommy Perez, 110, in 8. Star Pating, 112, decisioned Jaspe Dula, 112, in 6. Kid Tacio, 113, kayoed Young Mina, 112, in 3.

▶Nestor Roy Sison, 110, kayoed Caloocan Boy, 105, in 2 rounds in Urdaneta, Pangasinan. Fighting Ubaldo, 130, kayoed Young Capulong, 125, in 2. Baby Moro, 118, decisioned Smart Francing, 115, in 6. Clever John, 115, defeated Young Cabanilla, 124, in 4.

▶Small Dave, 114, defeated Nestor Roy Sison, 114, in 8 rounds in Pasig, Rizal. Flash Menny, 125, defeated Puyas Boy, 126, in 8. Bonnie Hernandez, 116, outpointed Lory Matador, 114, in 4.

▶Danny Brown, 120, bested San Juan Boy, in 8 in Marillao, Bulacan. Ernie Paredes, 118, drew with Ray Escober, 118, in 8. Nick Johnson, 137, drew with Slugger Joe, 140, in 6.

BOXING IN UTAH
By Pete Giacoma

Boxing returned to Salt Lake City after a long absence with the Fullmer brothers, Jay and Don, as the featured attractions.

In the first show Jay, 142, took a unianimous 10 round decision over durable Glen Burgess of Meridan, Idaho. It was the first time Jay was carried the 10 round route and he turned in a fine showing as he punched too often and too fast for his plodding foe. Don. 163, halted Con Olds, 166, Provo, Utah in 1:30 of the second round as he completely overwhelmed his outclassed foe.

Don Kennington, 144, Ogden, stopped John Hudson, 159, Salt Lake, in 1:33 of the third; LeMar Clark, 175, Cedar City, kayoed Keith Jacobsen, 175, Spanish Fork, in 1:02 of the first; Phil Salazar, 127, Salt Lake, won over Lloyd Jones, 130, Salt Lake, 3; and Jim Morley, 142, and Lee Carter, 139, both of Salt Lake, drew, 3.

▶On the second show both Jay and Don again turned in wins. This time it was Jay who hung up the kayo as he halted outclassed Pat Maloney of Reno, Navada in three rounds. Don was forced to the limit to beat Bill O'Neal of Modesto, Calif. in a one-sided bout. Don tried for the kayo, but Bill covered up all the way.

Russ Davis, 144, Reno, scored a surprise by kayoing Jim Morley, 143, Salt Lake, in 1:46 of the third; Keith Eoff, 145, Salt Lake, halted Stanford Christy, 150, Reno, in 2:59 of the second; Hector Lopez, 129½, Bingham, stopped Phil Salazar, 127, Salt Lake, in 2:46 of the second; and Lloyd Jones, 126, Salt Lake, won from Joe Valdez, 128½, Salt Lake, 3.

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IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

THE WEEKLY BOXING SHOW AT THE JOE LOUIS CLUB HAD A CAPACITY crowd for the Ernest Terrell-Emil Britko bout. Terrell, 191, Chicago, scored a two round knockout over Emil Britko, 193, Pittsburgh, in a bout scheduled for eight rounds. This was Terrell's 7th straight victory in the professional ranks.

In other bouts, Willie Nelson, 130, beat Willie Parker, 132, in four fast rounds. Bob Jemilo, 139, Chicago, defeated Robert Scott, 142, Chicago, in a four round affair. Don Jose, 148, outpointed Jim Adams, 148, in a lively four round bout. Al Lane, 193, Chicago, beat Rico Brooks, 187, Chicago, in five heats.

▶Johnny Coulon, former world's bantamweight champion, celebrated his 69th birthday. The old champ looks great. He teaches and trains fighters in his South Side gymnasium daily.

▶The IBC presented another of its weekly shows at the Mid-West Gym before a standing room gathering. In the main event scheduled for eight rounds, Jerry Mortell, 144, Chicago, scored two knockdowns in the first round, and then went on to defeat Don Alderson, 146, in a thriller.

All the prelims were action-packed. Antonio Marcella, 146, Argentina, scored a fast one round kayo over Edgar Gregory, 144. Marcella has class and packs a mean wallop. Johnny Powell, 148, kayoed Major Woodson, 147, in the 3rd round. Art Wilburn, 135, beat Joe Woodward, 136, in a fast five round semi-final.

▶Eddie Smith, 164, Gary, who changed his fighting name to Jim Dandy, scored over Lou Bailey, 170, Peoria, in the eight round featured bout at the Joe Louis Gym the following week. Dandy is now under the banner of Killer Johnson, one of Sugar Ray Robinson's managers.

Tommy Maddox, 146, Chicago, made his comeback a success by defeating Don Jose, 147, Chicago, in five rounds. Walcott Jackson, 164, beat Jim Sargeant, 160, in four heats. Art Wilburn, 135, won over Willie Harris, 141, in four fast rounds. Sammy Allen, 139, outpointed Robert Scott, 142, in five rounds. A good crowd attended the weekly card sponsored by the IBC.

▶Another fine card of bouts attracted a capacity crowd at the Mid-West Arena when youngster Jerry Mortell, 144, Chicago, scored a fast one-round kayo over Jimmy McCoy, 146, in a featured event. Mortell scored with power-laden fists to finish his opponent amid the tremendous cheers.

In the prelims, Jim Beard, 175, knocked out Eugene Duncan, 180, in two heats. Willie (Flat Top) Miller, 143, beat the much publicised Bob Jemilo, 140, in four rounds. Wolcott Jackson, 166, kayoed Clarence Harbin, 163, in two heats. King Farouk, 148, outpointed Harold Scully, 146, in a fast four round spot. The card was another IBC presentation.

NEBRASKA BOXING
By Floyd Hayes

OMAHA:—THE AMATEUR BOXERS TOOK THE LIMELIGHT IN NEBRASKA boxing during the past month with the staging of the Mid-West Golden Gloves tournament sponsored by the Omaha World-Herald. The following youths were crowned champions: 112 Lbs.—John Ferreyra, Scottsbluff Elks; 118 Lbs.—Willie Washington, Omaha J.C.C; 126-Lbs.—Bill Novak, Omaha Jaycees; 135 Lbs.—Art Hernandez, Scottsbluff Elks; 147 Lbs.—Gerald Harris, Omaha J.C.C; 160 Lbs.—Darwin Phillips, Lincoln Legion; 175 Lbs.—George Matlock, Omaha J.C.C.; and heavyweight, Buzz Truax, Lincoln Legion.

Barney Ross was guest referee.

IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell
Former World Junior Welterweight Champion

AFTER AN ABSENCE OF SEVERAL YEARS GEORGE MARKOS' Ringside Boxing Club brought professional boxing back to La Crosse, with a fine fight card that was well attended.

In the windup, light heavyweight George Jarosch of Milwaukee, a top heavy favorite, with an 18-1-1 record, was knocked out in the 2nd round by Benny Mason of Minneapolis. After taking the first round, Jarosch ran into a left hook that dropped him for the count at 28 seconds of the 2nd round.

Don Weller, 142½, St. Paul, drew with Joe Woodward, 136½, Chicago (6).

Antonio Marcilla, 148½, Argentine, stopped Jim McNamara, 151½, St. Paul, Minn., TKO (1).

Roger Wakefield, 164, La Crosse, decisioned Larry Quist, 170, St. Paul (4).

Bobby Townsend, 155½, Milwaukee, decisioned Gunther Peemoeller, 159, Winnipeg (4).

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

JOHNNY SUMMERLIN, DETROIT'S LEADING HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER, dealt out a blistering body attack to New Yorker Jack Jacobs in winning a unanimous ten round decision at the Motor City Arena. Spotting his opponent six pounds, the 191 pound Summerlin who has beaten the likes of Zora Folley, Harold Carter and Young Jack Johnson, had durable Jacobs in trouble during the fourth round and dropped him for a nine count in the ninth when it looked like finis for the New Yorker who barely made it back to his feet in time.

The victory was Summerlin's second of his comeback, having stopped Wayne Womochil three weeks earlier, and his 31st in 40 starts. All three officials scored Summerlin an easy victor over Jacobs as follows: referee Johnny Weber 49-38; judge Andy (Kid) Brown 48-37; and judge Jack Asperry 48-40.

An eight round rematch on the same card brought together Henry Hank, 157, Detroit, and Charley Cotton, 160, Toledo. Hank more than avenged a defeat suffered at the hands of Cotton seventeen months ago, when he gave the once prominent veteran a sound trouncing. Cotton started out slow allowing Hank to gather in the opening four rounds handily. The final four rounds found matters nip and tuck, but Cotton had bitten off more than he could handle with the eager Hank victor by unanimous decision.

Snappy punching Bill Pickett, 199, Detroit, lost no time in dropping Cleveland's Johnny Pratt, 191, three times and out in 1:41 of the first round. If one were to judge Pickett from his first round KO's over Osee Groom and Pratt, then it would have to be said that this boy has the goods. Another four had Frankie Trusso, 149, Cleveland, edging out Virgil Williams, 156, Monroe.

▶Local fighters did well the past month in out of town bouts. Art Greenwald's dandy Mickey Crawford continued to raise to greater heights when he won a unanimous verdict over Tex Gonzales for Teddy Brenner at the St. Nicks for his second straight duke of the year over there. Greenwald announced after the match Mick's next start would be at the Garden against Gil Turner. After that one Art would like the Cuban pleaser Kid Gavilan for his Saginaw protege sometime this summer. A Crawford-Gavilan bout here would do a nice gate and be just the bout to put pleasant note back into the local picture once more . . . Husling Nick "Lucky" Malik had his good young welterweight Johnny Powell over in Chicago, with the result being a one round KO for Powell over Major Woodson . . . Ted Wright who was undefeated in 14 bouts here, went to New York to make good and is still going great guns. Now in Paris, France, Wright won a ten rounder over Sauveur Chiocca . . . Middleweight Eddie Smith, who is perhaps one of the cleverest lads in the game today, recently changed his fighting name to "Jim Dandy". In his last start clever and capable Eddie banged out a solid eight round win over Lou Bailey, in the eight round feature at the Mid-West Gym in Chicago.

COLORADO BOXING
By Alan Laythorpe

JANUARY AND FEBRUARY WENT BY THE BOARD IN Colorado with no professional boxing matches and the future doesn't seem to hold much in the way of fights for the next month or so.

Denver Promoter Milt Willner had the Alex Miteff-Nino Valdes battle signed up for the Denver Coliseum for last January but Valdes cried off because of a injured ankle and the fight was rescheduled for New York, much to the disappointment of local fight fans.

Pueblo matchmaker Sam Pagano, luckless in his two promotions last year, might try again within the next few months to put together a card.

The GI Forum, a club for Spanish descendant members, is also interested in sponsoring a fight card in Colorado Springs in aid of a local children's park project.

Another Denver promoter, Joe Dupler, has tentatively signed Valdes for an April 3 bout with Harold Carter, a top ranking heavy until his army induction last year.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

THE DUNDEES OF MIAMI BEACH, THOUGH NOT BOXERS, CAN come through when the pinch requires a shot in the arm for our beloved boxing game. Chris and Angelo were kept busy as the proverbial bee the past month in the way of promotion, training and travel. Angelo, the youngest of pair, crossed with Willie Pastrano to England where Ring Magazine's heavyweight contender managed to take a close decision over Brian London, son of former British heavyweight ace Jack London. Chris staged a big show in another Southern district and yet managed to keep Miami Beach going for the month of February. One of these cards wrote history involving the attraction headliner of Tiger Ralph Jones and former welterweight champion Kid Gavilan. The unusual setting was the Carillon Hotel from where the fight was televised. Trust Chris Dundee to publicize Boxing. Chris also did the matchmaking for Harara's new Stadium.

▶ They can add another page in The Ring Record Book when Nat Fleischer, Publisher-Editor of The Ring Magazine and his junior Boswells get together for the 1959 edition. In there it will read something like this here:

"The first boxing bout to be televised from a hotel was at Miami Beach. The contestants, Tiger Ralph Jones and ex-welterweight champion Kid Gavilan fought 10 rounds at the Carillon Hotel, with Jones winning a split decision on February 19, 1958. Chris Dundee and Jim Norris co-promoted".

There it is, boxing fans, and in addition, fans numbered 1,258 and they paid $8,066 to sit in. Gavilan was favored, 2-1, but it was Jones who looked it at the finish of the fight. The Tiger tipped 153¾, and the Kid at 153¼. Billy Regan refereed.

Promoter Chris Dundee may have unveiled a prospect in Vern Chretien, of Toronto, Canada. Vern defeated Hymie Budow, of Miami, in a four. Sal Fuentes, of Cuba, home of Kid Gavilan, beat Willie Mack, of Jacksonville, in another four. Dan Poriani, of Buffalo, TKOed Billy Hall, of Miami, in round three. Andy Arel, of Massena, N. Y., seems to be coming along just right in his comeback, and his latest is an eight round decision over Ray Estepa, of Puerto Rico.

▶ In the fight between Boardman and Johnny Digilio, Larry's punch was there but still ineffective as far as a knockout was concerned. Boardman, the young Marlboro, Conn. lightweight contender, had to be satisfied with the 10 round decision. A gathering of 2,618, paid $5,656.75. Boardman's smashing right put his opponent down in the fourth, fifth and sixth rounds. But credit Digilio for being able to take it and come back up trying.

Boardman tipped 141¼, and Digilio, 142, in his first fight in 20 months.

Miami's Freddie Cozart, weighing 136, was a three round knockout winner over Harry Hampton, 131, of Chicago. Fellow-Pennsylvanians, Bobby Moore and Tommy O'Connor, met in four and Bobby scored the decision. He tipped 138¾, and hails from Philadelphia. His opponent, 137½, and from Pittsburgh. Henry Ferguson, 150, Bahamas, took four from Willie Finney, 148¾, of Miami. Ferguson may have something on the boxing ball. Willie (Kid) Johnson, 154, Miami and Jacksonville, held Ray Sheppard, same weight, of Miami, to an even four. Chris Dundee promoted.

▶ Willie Vaughn mastered Jimmy Beecham in the top ten at Miami Beach, but lost to Jimmy in a return on March 4. The 2100 fans enjoyed an excellent showing by the pair in their first bout and many of them believed a draw would have been more suitable. Had Beecham, a local favorite had not been cut badly, a different story might have resulted as the narrow edge showed. Vaughn, a 2-1 favorite and a ranking middleweight in The Ring Ratings, comes from California.

Sylvester Garrison won a sixer from Bo Willis; Eddie Ludlow and Al Williams finished all-even in four. Billy Hall and Danny Toriani did the same; Johnny Strong beat Roosevelt Stringer in four, and Willie Finney finished Harry Braelow in two rounds. Chris Dundee promoted.

▶ Larry Boardman battered game Lulu Perez for five rounds and eventually wound up winning by a technical knockout when the Brooklynite couldn't answer the bell for the sixth. A knockdown in the second was the telling point. Living up to his high ranking in The Ring Magazine, Larry, of Marlboro, Conn., likewise lived up the 3-1 favorite pick. He was in front all the way. He weighed 139¾. Lulu, who at one time was a lulu of a contender, came in at 134¾.

The gathering of 2,537, paying $5,615, also wanted to see the up-and-coming kid brother of Middleweight Champion Carmen Basilio, young Joey Basilio. To their regret, and to Joey's, the opponent, Roosevelt Stringer, of Miami, didn't make an appearance.

Wayne Womochil, 189, Omaha, put Augie King, 179, Miami, down for the full count in the third. Sylvester Garrison, 185, New York City, took four from Johnny Pew, 179¾. Jo-Jo Jordan, 170, Miami, downed Tully Sawyer, 158, in the third. Tommy O'Connor, 138½, Ireland, whipped Eddie Ludlow, 135, of Miami, in a four.

NEWS FROM CUBA
By Jorge Vieties

HAVANA—THE OPENING OF THE NEW SPORTS PALACE at the Sports City of Havana was a real success. World's known personalities, such as N.Y.C. Commissioner Julius Helfand, promoter Jim Norris, good old friend Nat Fleischer, with Joan and Nat Loubet, world's racing champion Juan Manuel Fangio, Joe Louis, Kid Gavilan, Carmen Basilio, movie actors Jack Palance, Vic Damone and Gene Autry were present among the 9,504 fans who paid a net total of $28,575.00 to see the first program ever televised to U.S.A. from abroad.

Here are the results of the first show:

World's lightweight champion, Joe Brown, 135¾, scored a down and a clean k.o. in 2.50 of round one, over Cuba's lightweight champion Orlando Echevarria, 136¼.

Fighting for the Latin-American Jr. Lightweight title, Cuban titleholder, Angel (Robinson) Garcia, 129½, stopped Panama's featherweight king, Isidro Martinez, 128¼, in the 9th of a 12 rounder. Martinez rated the No. 6 man by the N.B.A., was leading up to the 6, but was badly cut by Yamil Chade's new boy in the 7th and badly beaten in the eight. Just as the bell ended that round, he was knocked down by Garcia. When the Panamanian started the 9th he was in a bad shape. He couldn't move his left leg and the referee stopped the bout.

Cuban Champion, Oscar Suarez, 112, claimed that losing two pounds the day of the fight, cost him the Latin-American title. He lost the verdict in 12 rounds to Mexico's champ, Mario de Leon, 110½. Suarez had stopped de Leon a few weeks before. He will fight in the future as a bantam.

Mexico's Alvaro Gutierrez, 145¾, won a close 12 rounder from Jose Ramon Flores, 144, who developed a cerebral hemorrhage. He will have to retire from Boxing. In the four rounder that closed activities, Enrique Casanovas, 119, decisioned Roberto Cordero, 114, in a good fight.

▶ HAVANA—Cuban middles champ, Baby Linares, 160½, was stopped in 2, by the American Bobby Gordon, 160¾. Wilfredo Gonzalez, 127¼, won in 8 from Jose Blach, 130¼. Florentino Fernandez, 135¼, won by a t.k.o. in 4 over Rollie Garcia, 137½. Douglas Vaillant, 127½, won in 4 from Antonio Espino, 130. Osmaro Hernandez, 160, stopped Felix Santana, 151, in one.

▶ HAVANA—Paul Diaz, 157½, stopped the American, Tom Simonnetti, 160½, in the eighth round. Alberto Robinson, 133½, won in 10 from Santiago Ramirez, 132. Nardo Parets, 147, won in 10 from Luis M. Rodriguez, 145¼.

Hiram Bacallao, 112¼, stopped Elias Diaz Trejo, 114¾, in 5. Rafel Correa, 110½, stopped Rolando Urrutia, 109¼, in 1.

▶ HAVANA—Alberto (Indian) Bisbe, 138, turned the tables on Baby Cochet, 140, the former light king, to win the vacant Jr. Welter title of Cuba, in a very good 12 rounder.

Diogenes Sagarra, 140, stopped Alexis Garcia, 141, in six. Augusto Narvalle, 126½, stopped Julio Junco, 126, in one. Isaac Espinosa, 133¾, stopped Hector Medina, 133¾, in 2. Pastor Marrero, 128, won in 4 from Padro Labarrere, 130.

▶ HAVANA—Orlando Castillo, 126, won each of the 10 rounds impressively, from the American, Prince Johnson, 128. Augusto Narvalle, 127½, won on a foul in six from Baby Rosales, 126½.

Tranquilino Martinez, 126, stopped Rene Arce, 123, in four. Martin Delis, 160¾, stopped Osmaro Hernandez, 160¼, in 2. Florentino Fernandez, 135, stopped Antonio Espino, 130, in 3.

▶ HAVANA—Armando Baragno, 136½, won in 10 from Mexican Tomas Castillo, 133¾. Rolando Rodriguez, 146¼, won in 8 from Sal Hernandez, 146¼ pound. Lazaro Hernandez Kessell, 141¾, won in six from Felix Samada, 148. Jose Oliva, 117½, won in six from Jose Xiala, 119½. And, Rene Garcia, 119½, stopped Ruben Fonseca, 120¾, in 3.

RING NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

CLIVE STEWART looked great in stopping CLARENCE COOK in four rounds at Sydney Stadium but the large crowd was very disappointed. They thought that Cook, following his build-up, should have lasted much longer than four rounds. Cook folded after a series of punches to the jaw. He took two counts before hitting the deck the third time in the fourth round. Referee Vic Patrick did not bother to count the last time.

▶ In Melbourne, BILLY McDONNELL became dual Australian champion by halting RICARDO MARCOS, the light-heavy champ, in eleven rounds of a light heavy title tilt. Marcos had his arm broken in the ninth round following a blow by McDonnell. A freak accident. However, Billy would have won in any case.

McDonnell, the middlewight champion, weighed within the middleweight limit for this bout, while Marcos was eight pounds the heavier. McDonnell was one month short of his 21st birthday when he became dual champion, which is five months older than the age Dave Sands was when the great Dave became holder of the same two Australian titles. Dave went on to win five titles before he met with a fatal truck accident at the age of 26.

▶ GEORGE BARNES was all set to defend his Empire welter title for promoter, George Callaghan, when the fight fell through. Opponent was to be British and European champion, PETER WATERMAN. Stadiums Ltd also wanted the bout and sent their representative, Jack Warner, to England to sign Waterman. However, Warner saw Waterman win the European title and cabled to Stadiums Ltd to forget the British champion, as he would not be a match for Barnes. "Barnes could name the round in which he'd stop Waterman," said Warner.

So now Barnes is off to South Africa to defend his title against Johnny Van Rensburg.

▶ At Wollongong, ALLEN WILLIAMS made his third successful Australian heavyweight title defense in eleven weeks when he halted SANDY ASSOGNA in 12 rounds. It will be remembered that Allen defended his title twice—ten days apart—a few weeks ago. In the Assogna bout—which was a good fight—Williams lost only two rounds. Your RING correspondent was the referee and I stopped the bout.

▶ MAX MURPHY is the uncrowned featherweight champion of Australia. At Sydney Stadium, he outpointed FRANKIE BENNETT very comfortably.

▶ Biggest upset of at least a year took place in Melbourne, when POPEYE McNAIR easily outpointed number three ranking featherweight, BRIAN BENNETT. Brian was too far off form to be true.

A fortnight later, ex-Olympian BOBBY BATH, having his fourth pro start, knocked out McNair in nine rounds of a good fight at the same Stadium.

▶ At Sydney, junior middleweight, RAY RICHARDS won by KO over welter, COOGAN BROWN in the sixth round. Brown and Richards collided heads in the sixth and each suffered an injury. Brown's was the more dangerous—eye and mouth—so Vic Patrick halted the fight and crowned Richards, who would have won the fight anyway.

▶ A fortnight later, RICHARDS was halted by a cut eye when he tangled with welter, CURLY OSLAND, who was having his first fight in Sydney. Curly previously has fought in Brisbane, with a short excursion to Melbourne. He is a real crowd-pleaser.

▶ Country lightweight, STAN HAYWARD showed he still has a lot to learn by being soundly outpointed by FRANCO ROSINI in the Melbourne Stadium.

▶ At Adelaide, in a double bill, FRANK SCOTT stopped JIMMY DEPKE in six rounds, while Frank's brother, VIN SCOTT, won on a foul over CARL MARCHIN. Frank and his opponent are junior middles, while Vin weighs in just over the middleweight limit. Marchin is a heavyweight.

▶ DOUG BEER outpointed GENE BROWN at Broken Hill, over 12 rounds. They are light-heavies.

▶ MAX CARLOS, one of our star lightweights, threshed Filipino EMIL TINDE at Melbourne Stadium.

GERMAN BOXING DIARY
By J. A. Tree

DORTMUND — AT THE WESTFALEN-HALLE IN DORTMUND, ERICH SCHOPPNER (Witten) dethroned the national cruiser champion, WILLI HOEPNER (Hamburg) in just 2 minutes and 43 seconds.

HOEPNER, 35, ten years older than his challenger, was caught with a right hook high up within seconds of the first bell and went to the canvas. He was up at "TWO" but referee, RUDOLF DRUST, continued his count to "EIGHT" before allowing the fight to continue. HOEPNER, a noted slow starter, went on the defensive backing round the ring, but SCHOPPNER chased after him and caught the champion with another right hook to the chin. Down went HOEPNER again and this time he was content to stay there for EIGHT gazing at the referee. The 12,000 fans were now on their feet and thousands were standing on their seats yelling for the kill. The groggy champion staggered round the ring and SCHOPPNER had no difficulty in landing the final punch, a right hook to the chin. HOEPNER received 30,000 DM and SCHOPPNER 1,500 DM for their services.

Middle—Rudolf Nehring (Dortmund) won from Gerhard Stackowitz (Cologne) in six.

Middle—Manfred Hass (Hamburg) coming out for his eleventh professional fight without the taste of defeat, was KOed in three rounds by Louis Luchetti (France).

Cruiser—Horst Niche (Berlin) won over Serge Leveque (France), in 8.

Middle—Max Resch (Hamburg) won over Jean Ruellet (France) in 8.

Cruiser—Uwe Janssen (Hamburg) won over Heintz Lemm (Gevelsburg), in 8.

▶ Berlin—Hanswerner "Buttje" Wohlers, undefeated German middle weight prospect, shared points with British and Empire champion, Pat McAteer over ten rounds. This fight, one of the best seen in the capital, was only witnessed by around 4500 at the Sportpalast.

The German was in front at the final bell but did not have the three clear points required in this country to be declared the winner. His left ey[illegible] eight from a clash [illegible] quarters.

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Heavy "Romme" [illegible] lost on points to Walter [illegible] four rounds.

Light weight, Heinz Klein, (Karlsruhe) was halted in the second by Harry Kurschat (Berlin).

Middle weight Erich Walter, (Hamburg) lost on a TKO to Abel Soudan (Belgium) in the seventh.

▶ Basel—Only in the first round did German light weight champion, Manfred Neuke (Delmenhorst) show any respect for European champion, Duilio Loi. The contest resulted in a draw over ten rounds.

Heavyweight Uli Ritter, (Essen), stopped Max Marsille (Belgium) in five rounds and Heavyweight Ossi Buttner, (Frankfort), lost on points in 6 to Mino Bozzano (Italy).

▶ Oldenburg—Gustav Scholz, German middleweight champion, remains undefeated in 68 paid fights. He stopped Michel Masson (Belgium) in seven rounds. Edgar Basel, (Mannheim), beaten for the first time five days earlier, won every round of his six heat fight with Raymond Benard (France).

Cruiser Dieter Wemhoner, (Berlin), stopped Ali Belcacem (France) in three rounds. The German, who had sustained a cut eye five days before in Helsinki, was pleased to get the fight over fearing his laceration may cost him the contest.

Charles Yates, (USA) won on points in six over Klaus Miska, (Hamm). Horst Borzoskowski, (Berlin), drew in 8 with Gerhard Moll, (Braunschweig).

▶ Helsinki—Ex-European and German amateur flyweight champion, Edgar Basel, (Mannheim), had his first taste of defeat when outpointed in six rounds by the 1952 Olympic Games winner, bantam, Pentiti Hamalainen.

Dieter Wemhoner (Berlin) cruiser, won on points in 8 over Pekka Kokkonen. Wolfgang Bohnert (Essen) lost on points in 6 to Olavi Ouyinen. Ex-European champion, Elis Ask was the promoter.

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SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Les Muller

▶ **EUROPEAN ROUND-UP: JOHANNESBURG.**—GRAHAM VANDERWALT national bantam and featherweight champion, was the only champ to live up to his reputation, when he halted BOET STANDER inside two rounds, in a tournament billed as the parade of champions.

GAWIE DEKLERK, heavyweight champ, took six rounds to stop JAN SCHEEPERS. In a middleweight contest, BILLY LOTTER outpointed CHRIS VAN ROOYEN, South African middleweight champion, over eight rounds. JAN BOTES impressed with a fine win over ORD MATHEYSEN in a welterweight clash. The latter retiring after two rounds.

HEAVYWEIGHT GEORGE RICHTER beat STAN LOTRIET on points over four rounds. KEN WATSON decisioned JOSH BLIGNAUT in a welter four-rounder. THOMAS BREYTENBACH beat WALLY HILLIER on points also over four rounds in a lightweight match.

▶ NON-EUROPEAN ROUND-UP JOHANNESBURG GABRIEL SELEKE (146½) holder of the Transvaal welterweight Non-European title, fought brilliantly and easily beat IKE WILLIAMS (146¾), who retired after seven rounds of a scheduled ten-rounder. WILLIAMS was down for a count of eight.

KLASSIE LINKS (114¾) stopped ROONEY MAKHENE (120¾) inside five rounds in a gory battle. MAKHENE was unable to answer the bell for the sixth round owing to a nasty cut below his left eye. VICTOR LAKAJE outpointed DESMOND GOSA over six rounds in a cruiserweight fight. JAKE NTSEKE (129½) beat PHILIP SIBEKO (132) over six rounds. DAVID MOGOA (132¾) beat MAKEED MOFOKENG (133½) on points in a six-rounder. HERBERT HLUBI (159¼) decisioned veteran ROBBIE GOLIATH (153) in another six rounder.

▶ DURBAN.—SETXON MABENA brilliant Non-European bantamweight champion, scored his 14th straight win when he retained his title against former champ PETER MOLEDI in the DURBAN CITY HALL.

MABENA won on a 3rd round T.K.O., after MOLEDI had taken two trips to the canvas. MABENA injured his right hand in the second round.

STEVEN NKATLO beat EDDIE SIBISI in a flyweight contest. SIBISI was not in the same class as NKATLO who has been fighting regularly, whereas SIBISI has been too idle. Former bantamweight champ LOUIS JOSHUA outpointed NELSON MBHELLE in a six-rounder.

▶ VEREENIGING.—There were three knockouts in the first professional tournament held at Sharpeville Hall, Vereeniging, before a full house. In a non-title fight, PHILEMON TSHABALALA (148¾) Transvaal middleweight champ disposed of SAMUEL NHLAPO (160) in 2 mins 5 secs. of the first round.

Veteran JOE NYAKALE (155) was counted out in 1:20 of the third round, in his fight against his determined and aggressive opponent, JERRY KHOALIBANE. The third K.O. was scored by SHAMROCK MORAKE (126) who disposed of JOSIAH MFENE (122½) in 1 min. 25 secs. of the first round. The fight was scheduled for four rounds.

FRISCO SEKATI (117½) outpointed RINGO VILAKAZI (116) over four rounds. CHIKO MAKAU (140) beat ABDUL JOSEPH on points in a four-rounder. PETER KAEANE (145¾) beat EMANUEL HLATSHWAYO on points also over four rounds.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

UNKNOWN RUFINO RIDELLA 126, OF HONOLULU SCORED A TREMENDOUS upset when he decisioned nationally ranked Shigeji Kaneko, 127, of Japan in a ten round fight held at the Civic Auditorium. Showing little respect for his highly touted adversary, Ridella easily out-maneuvered and outhit Kaneko to gain the unanimous nods of the officials, highlighting his impressive performance with an eight count third round knockdown.

Referee Frankie Gomes had Ridella winning 48-44; Judges Walter Cho and John Medeiros had scores of 47-42 and 49-39.

The fight, promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., drew 1,389 fans for a gross of $2,310.50.

Aladino Gusman, 133, knocked out Dan Melendez, 132¾, in the first of six.

Lionel Rivera, 127, TKO'ed Bobby Pereira, 127, in the 4th.

Yutaka Saikawa, 137½, TKO'ed Robert Corniel, 139¾, in the third of four.

Walter Kinoshita, 119½, decisioned Rudolph Artuyo, 118. 4 rds.

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